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School Report
ORR Roams in Rome
 By Anne Smith

No student ever wants to be awake and attentive outside of school at 5:20 am on a Friday morning, but that was exactly what I was doing in the company of twenty of my classmates and five chaperones. On February 17, the last day of school before vacation, our group of Latin students finally headed to Rome, Italy. Pausing for pictures in front of the school bus that would drive us to Logan Airport, we quickly said our goodbyes to our parents, who had been kind enough to drive us to Old Rochester Regional High School with all of our suitcases. We loaded the bus and embarked promptly at 5:30 am. The following day, our flight arrived at Leonardo da Vinci-Fiumicino Airport. Energized by the sheer fact that we were now in Rome (none of us had gotten proper sleep on our overnight flight), we collected our luggage and met our tour director for the duration of our trip – a woman we immediately came to love, Carmen del Gaudio.

When we originally signed up for our trip, the itinerary included Rome, Ostia, Pompeii, Sorrento, and Capri. Over the several months leading up to the trip, our itinerary changed when we were booked with another group, students from Billerica, Massachusetts. Our itinerary no longer included Ostia, the ancient port city of Rome, but we gained an excursion to Assisi and Florence. The trade-off worked in our favor, as we broadened our touring experience and learned more about Italy than only its Roman heritage.

Ms. del Gaudio surprised us with a trip to Ostia – not knowing we were Latin students – when we initially arrived in Rome. The students from Billerica were not arriving until later that afternoon, and so we had several hours to kill – Ms. del Gaudio figured that we wouldn't mind visiting Ostia to pass the time. First our bus driver, Francesco, drove us around the ruins of ancient Ostia, driving so that both sides of the bus had a turn to snap pictures. Then Francesco drove us to modern Ostia, where he dropped us off by the beach. Ms. del Gaudio directed us to a couple of ristorantes where we could buy some cappuccinos and issued us a meeting point and time. For a few hours, we had the blocks around us to explore; and explore we did, learning from Ms. del Gaudio that it was Carnevale, the week-long celebration leading up to Ash Wednesday and the Lenten season.

After picking up the Billerica students from the airport, we set off on a long drive to Assisi, which is known for St. Rufino, St. Francis, and St. Clare. Unfortunately, none of us managed to take in much of the view on the drive; we were all asleep due to jet lag. We arrived in Assisi an hour before our dinner was scheduled

at our hotel, a dinner that set the standard for our diet the rest of the vacation. It was a three-course meal. I'm sure that my classmates would agree that we all miss the Italian food we enjoyed while we were abroad.

After dinner, we wandered the surrounding area in fairly large groups. Words cannot express how beautiful Assisi was during both day and night – but especially at night, just after the sun had set and the stars had appeared. The churches were lit by spotlights, the air was crisp, and we all agreed it would be lovely to live in Assisi for the rest of our lives. After a good night's sleep, we enjoyed a guided tour of Assisi the next morning, visiting the piazza, the Basilica of St. Clare, and the Basilica of St. Francis. From there, it was on to our next stop – Florence, or as it is known in Italy, Firenze.

Our stay in Florence was longer than our stay in Assisi. Since no buses are allowed in the city, we stayed in a nearby town, Montecatini. The buses could only drive during certain hours in Montecatini, so for the two days that we visited Florence we had to wake up early. Francesco took us to a train station, from which we walked into Florence and towards the piazzas. Our first day in Florence, we toured such sights as the Basilica of

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On the Cover: Twenty-one ORRHS Latin students pose with a copy of The Wanderer outside the Colosseum in Rome, Italy as part of their February vacation field trip. Photo by Judith Pr  tat

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Saint Mary of the Flower. This Basilica is famous for its large dome, which was designed by Filippo Brunelleschi. Brunelleschi won the commission in a competition against contemporary Lorenzo Ghiberti, who had won an earlier competition for the commission of the Baptistery's doors. According to our tour guide, the Baptistery was built solely to handle the many baptisms that are made at the Basilica of Saint Mary of the Flower.

The dome, or Duomo as the Italians call it, was available for climbing – a steep feat (pardon the pun) requiring a staggering four hundred steps up and another four hundred back down. Climbing the Duomo was a two-step process, with the first leg of the journey bringing you near the frescoed ceiling of the dome, and the second leg bringing you outside to a priceless view of Florence in its entirety. The tour of Florence concluded with a leather-making demonstration and half a day of free time (read: shopping) before we returned to Montecatini. The next day we returned to Florence to visit Michelangelo's *David* and other Renaissance artworks. Finishing in Florence a few hours later, it was back on the bus and onwards to Rome, stopping at a surprise destination – a small town called San Gimignano.

San Gimignano was never on our itinerary, but we all chipped in 10 euro to pay for the permit to park there. Originally founded by the Etruscans, the predecessors of the Romans, San Gimignano became a stopping point for pilgrims heading to Rome and Jerusalem during the Middle Ages and Renaissance. The small, walled city was strong enough to declare itself independent of bishops who maintained tight control over that particular commune in Tuscany. Famed for its large number of towers (only fourteen remain), San Gimignano remains a popular tourist attraction. After climbing the two hundred steps of the city hall tower, we were once again privy to a miraculous view – this one white and tan, rather than the red of Florence. After a few hours of exploring, we returned to the bus and Francesco drove us the remaining miles to Rome.

Rome contained a flurry of activities for us. We visited the customary sights such as the Trevi Fountain, the Spanish Steps, and the different piazzas. We threw

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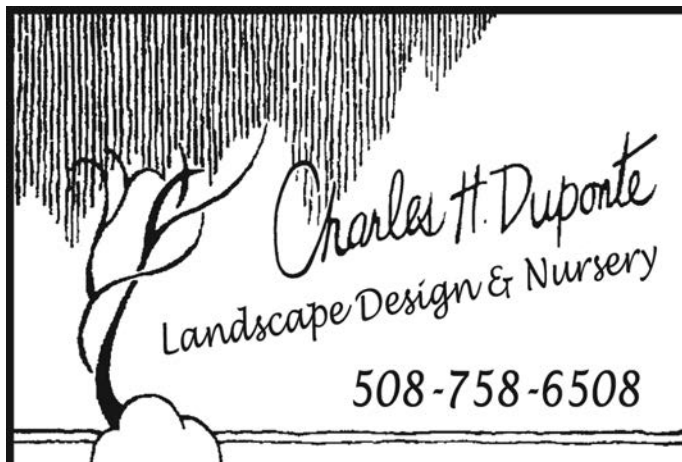


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our coins into the Trevi Fountain under the light of the moon, wishing for our return to the Eternal City, and we peered down on Rome from the top of the Spanish Steps with the sun's last rays lighting the streets with fire. But the highlight was, of course, the ancient sites we visited — namely, the Colosseum, the Pantheon, and the Forum. On our drive through Rome to these archaeological areas, we passed a Roman pyramid (yes, they did build pyramids), the remains of the ancient city walls, and the baths of Caracalla. Our tour guide for the Colosseum and the Forum was an archaeologist. We learned much about the ruins from her. One interesting fact that Krisztina told us was that most Roman ruins are unexcavated. There were many imperial forums in ancient Rome, and



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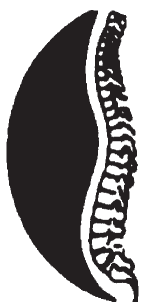
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from ancient documents scholars can ascertain exactly where the ruins would be, but no excavations have been attempted because they run under the modern city's roads and buildings. As Krisztina said, two thirds of the imperial forums are left unexcavated. She said that this was not necessarily a bad thing, as sometimes it is easier to preserve the ruins by leaving them untouched than expose them and risk destroying them.

We spent a day in Vatican City with another tour guide, who brought us through the Vatican Museums, the Sistine Chapel, and St. Peter's Basilica. From Vatican City, we returned to Rome and walked to the Piazza Navona, where we purchased the reportedly best gelato in Rome and looked at the different watercolors for sale. That night at the hotel, we said our goodbyes to our companions from Billerica, who were returning home the next morning, but not before exchanging contact information and making arrangements to swap our pictures online. We prepared ourselves for the next stage of our trip, which was to Pompeii with an overnight stay in Sorrento.

If our studies in Latin and the Roman culture made us excited to visit Rome, then we were ecstatic to visit Pompeii. While we waited for our tickets to get into the ruins of the city destroyed by Mt. Vesuvius in 79 AD, we visited a cameo factory and watched a demonstration. Then, it was into Pompeii, where we were accompanied by the many friendly but stray dogs of the city. (Someone was prepared and had bought dog cookies in Florence.) After an engaging tour of Pompeii with our guide Marco, who displayed the city's history by telling stories about its inhabitants, we were free to explore – but we stayed in one group in order to prevent ourselves from getting lost. The sites we visited in Pompeii were the forum, a senator's house, a fast-food restaurant (yes, the Romans had them), a public bath, a gladiator's training ground, a brothel, a theater, an amphitheater, and a bakery. The bakery was a special location for our Latin classes since Ms. Pretat makes "Roman bread" throughout the year – bread that is made from a recipe found inscribed in a wall in the ruins of Pompeii. An exciting but slightly scary event from Pompeii was that while we were in the forum and within the sight of Mt. Vesuvius, the volcano began to

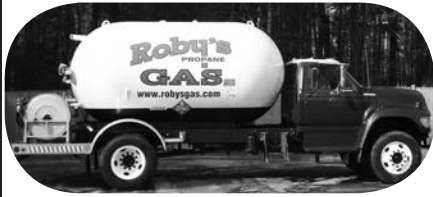
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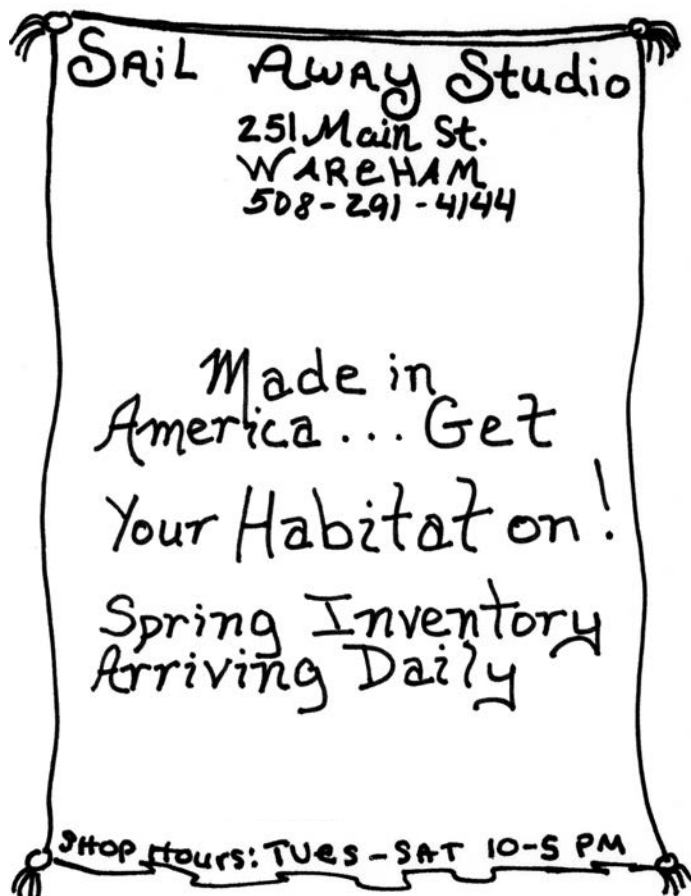

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smoke. It was a thrilling experience.

Sorrento was a beautiful seaside town, and unfortunately we only stayed there one night. A group of boys decided to swim in the Mediterranean Sea, while everyone else simply waded – they agreed that the water was rather cold. After dinner at the hotel, the group decided to take a bus up the cliff face into the town's center – the expedition was spontaneous and fun. We milled around Sorrento, eating gelato and the region's famous oranges.

In the morning, we set off for our last destination – the island of Capri, off the Amalfi Coast. We took a twenty-five minute ferry ride to the island, where we hopped on another boat in order to explore the island's coast. On this boat ride we explored a couple of grottos in the cliffs and passed through a natural arch, making a wish as tradition demands. Then it was back to the island, where we met our next tour guide, Fabio, who took us to the town of Capri and to the gardens of Augustus. Capri, in ancient times, was the place where the rich and famous – namely emperors – summered. The gardens of Augustus are still maintained today, and provide a beautiful view of the island from their high vantage point.

Sadly, after Capri it was time for us to prepare for our return to the Tri-Town. We headed back to Rome, packed our bags, went to bed relatively early, and got up later than usual so that we could handle the jet lag. Ms. del Gaudio accompanied us to the airport, where we parted at the check-in. We made our arrival at Old Rochester Regional High School around 12:30 am on Monday, February 27, and it was back to school that morning.

I was lucky enough to have been one of the twenty-one students visiting Italy on this school field trip, and I know I can speak for everyone when I say we are all deeply grateful to the district school committee for allowing us to have this enriching experience, and we appreciate the hard work of Latin teacher Judith Prétat in preparing the trip and the support of our families. Not a second of the trip was wasted; we were always learning. Thanks to the group from Billerica, we made new friends, learned some conversational Italian, and got to see much



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Few Contests in Rochester's Election

By Laura Fedak Pedulli

The papers are in for Rochester's April 11 election, and this year most candidates are running unopposed. Terms as a Library Trustee and on the Park Commission are the only races where multiple individuals are vying for limited slots.

Two residents are hoping to fill one three-year position on the Park Commission; these individuals include Travis Lalli of 131 Bishop Rd. and Kenneth Ross of 288 New Bedford Rd.

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For the Select Board seat, no one is contesting Selectman Naida Parker, who is running for an additional three-year term. She has already served on the board three times (during 1998 to 2004, and 2009-2012). Additionally, no one is running against longtime Town Moderator Greenwood Hartley III, who is seeking an additional three-year term.

Other contenders who are running unopposed include Dale Barrows for a three-year term on the Board of Health; Veronica Lafreniere for a three-term position on the Cemetery Commission; and Jeffrey Eldridge for a three-year term as Tree Warden.

Robin Rounseville and Tina Rood – currently serving as the Rochester Memorial School Committee – are running unopposed to serve additional three-year terms. Jennifer Hunter had pulled papers to serve on the RMS Committee, but did not return them in time for consideration on the ballot.

The Planning Board is undergoing some juggling in members in this year's election. Three positions are open for different terms, although only two of them are actively

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being sought. Chairman Arnold Johnson has returned papers for another five-year stint on the board. Likewise Bendrix Bailey is actively seeking an additional one-year term on the board.

Current Board Member James Moraux did not return papers by the deadline, thus at this point Town Clerk Naida Parker said the remaining three-year position available will be a write-in contest.

Lastly, Frederick Underhill (for two-year term), Richard Charon (for one-year term) and Michael Conway (for three-year term) all have returned papers to serve on the newly created Water Commission. Governor Deval Patrick signed a bill allowing Rochester to establish the Water Commission on November 3, 2011.

ORRABC Phonathon Kicks Off

By Eric Tripoli

The effects of our rocky national economic situation have been rippling through our communities for years. States and towns have been forced to stretch their shrinking budgets and concoct new ways to raise capital. Public education has been especially hard hit since the economic crisis first took center stage in 2008, and it's the students who risk losing out on valuable experiences, both in and out of the classroom.

In the Tri-Town area, the Old Rochester Regional Athletic Booster Club (ORRABC) has been in high gear organizing a variety of fundraisers during the past few

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years in an effort to reduce the impact that lack of funding has had on the school's sports programs. Beginning Thursday, March 1, the ORRABC will be holding its annual Phonathon, which is the organization's biggest fundraising event of the academic year.

According to Shaun Walsh, president of the ORRABC, student athletes will call members of the Tri-Town community to solicit donations. Since 2004, the boosters have raised about \$300,000 for the school sports teams, and the Phonathon has brought in over \$20,000 each year for the last two years.

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"We know budgets won't increase, but we also don't want to squeeze the parents for any more money," said Mr. Walsh.

The ORRABC is responsible for many fundraisers throughout the year. They do shorter-term seasonal

events that raise anywhere from \$2,000 to \$5,000, and the individual teams also host their own fundraisers, which can collect anywhere from \$5,000 to \$8,000. In the past, the money raised by the ORRABC has gone to help pay for everything from new uniforms to replacing the old elliptical machines in the school's weight room.

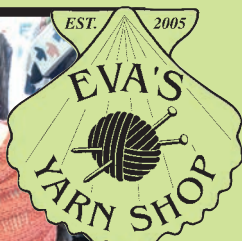
"These fundraisers are a great way to do it because we can help take the pressure off the athletic department budget," said Aimee Fox, secretary to the Athletic Director and board member of the ORRABC.

Ms. Fox and Mr. Walsh have been involved with the boosters for the last five years. While their primary function is to help raise money for the teams, she said the activities of the boosters also help promote a tighter community.

"It's a great way for parents of kids involved in different sports to get to know one another," Fox said. "Getting involved with the ORRABC is also a great way to help advance a child's education from the background. We always need volunteers and it's a great way for parents to help out."

Ryann Monteiro, a senior captain of the track team, has participated in the Phonathon each of her four years of high school. The two-time South Coast Conference All-Star said it's her favorite fundraiser of the whole year.

"It's a great way for teams to come together," said Ms. Monteiro. "We're all really close. My coaches are great and they really set the tone for the whole program."



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The benefits of participating in school sports extend well beyond the physical for these students.

"A lot of these kids find a circle of friends that can last forever. The fact that you have to work so hard in high school athletics is huge for the kids," said Mr. Walsh. "Over time, these programs can help promote personal growth and maturity in the athletes, which gives them the tools to better function outside of their small high school community."

"To see the overall maturity and personality changes – the way they bring younger kids under their wing- will benefit these students later on in life," said Ms. Fox.

The boosters not only invest in student-athletes while they attend Old Rochester Regional. Each year, the ORRABC offers about \$6,000 in college scholarships for outstanding performance both on and off the field. That money comes directly from the Phonathon.

"It gives us a lot of pride as booster club members to know we may have had a small part of their success in college," Mr. Walsh said.

Ms. Monteiro, who plans on attending the University of Rhode Island in the fall and participating on their track team, does not take for granted the hard work of the ORRABC. "Without the boosters, this would be a completely different program. We get so much support from them," Ms. Monteiro said.

Ms. Monteiro will join nearly 200 fellow athletes, making calls, stuffing envelopes, and building stronger

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relationships with her teammates. The Phonathon will be placing calls between 6:30 and 8:30 pm on the evenings of March 1, 5-7, 12-13, and 15-16.

Watercolor Wednesday!

By Eric Tripoli

It may be February vacation for the students of Rochester, but there is no shortage of fun and educational activities for them to explore this week at Plumb Library. On Wednesday, children ages three and up (and their parents, too) enjoyed a morning painting with watercolor. Some kids opted to paint something freehand and others filled in classic color-by-numbers pictures.

Watercolor Wednesday is part of a pilot round of youth programs organized by Lisa Fuller of Plumb Library, who wanted to offer a way for families to have fun together while the kids were on vacation. Typically, she has organized programs during the school year that required families to sign up in advance. The "drop-in" activities have traditionally been held during the summer. But with activities like today's artful endeavors and Tuesday's Treasure Hunt, she is testing the waters to see if these new drop-in programs would be something the town would like to take advantage of during school breaks.

"In the past, we've done all sign-up activities, but this is an experiment to offer more programs that are local, free, and fun for the kids," she said.

Ms. Fuller, who is a member of the newly founded librarian group, Bristol Plymouth County Chapter Youth Services Round Table, is responsible for organizing a number of community activities. She has created three different storytime sessions for children of different age groups, and runs a very popular summer reading program that begins in June, right after the students head into summer vacation. During that time, students and their

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families can also take advantage of the drop-in crafts program, book exchanges, and weekly performers, from music to storytelling.

Lorrie Ducharme of Rochester regularly attends these sessions with her two children, Jared and Morgan.

"I like it because these programs are very educational and fun. It opens up a whole new world for them, especially with all the reading and socialization," she said. Morgan, who is eight years old, has been coming to the Library programs for a long time. According to her mom, Morgan has been an artist-in-training since she was two.

"I think it's fun to learn new things," Morgan said. Her brother, Jared, also had a good time doing watercolor.



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"I'm having fun," said the three-year old with a big smile on his face and more paint on his hands than on the paper.

Across the table, Camden Jeppson sat with his mother, Jennifer, and painted a picture of a sailboat and lighthouse.

"I'm painting this for my dad so he can put it up in his office," he said. He may only be four years old, but his mother says he has been enthralled by books and stories since he was two. He said his favorite book is *Star Wars: Anakin in Action!* Jennifer said he also has a penchant for Dr. Seuss. She said the library programs offer her son a feeling of being part of something bigger.

"It's nice to be in a small town where people know him. The people here [at the library] make him feel really welcome and he loves his friends," she said.

All of the programs are sponsored by Friends of Plumb Library, who provide funds for supplies, resources, and food. For more information on library programming, visit www.plumblibrary.com.

Mattapoisett Bike Group Discusses Outlook

By Eric Tripoli

The Friends of the Mattapoisett Bicycle and Recreational Path met at the library on Tuesday, February 28 to discuss their upcoming year of events and fundraisers.

President Bonne DeSousa, with about 12 in attendance, began the meeting by providing some exposition regarding bike path business that was discussed late last year. The group wants to build a new permanent bridge across the Eel Pond breach, spanning about 30 feet. The current pedestrian bridge in recent years has fallen in disrepair and the Friends of the Bike Path want to install a temporary structure.

According to Ms. DeSousa, the new aluminum bridge would be safer and more convenient. "It's easily installed and can be easily removed in the case of bad weather," she said.

But progress on getting approval for the permanent bridge has been slow. The group has been working with the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission to ensure they are in compliance with state laws and regulations set by

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The Friends are also organizing, in conjunction with YMCA Camp Massasoit and South Coast Health Systems, a fitness and fundraising challenge on June 24 to benefit the Mattapoisett Rail Trail Design and Path Improvements Fund. Registered participants can walk, run, or bike the course anywhere from one to forty miles, followed by a family friendly picnic, with music, overlooking the Mattapoisett Harbor.

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been responsible for helping to oversee the maintenance and repair of the bike path. Three years ago, they began a project to pave the course.

Having a biking area away from the winding roads of Mattapoisett is important to many residents. Renee Pothier has been a member of the Friends for 12 years and her family, which includes four children ages 12 and under, all use the path.

"I think it's fabulous for them to have a safe place to ride their bikes, somewhere off the roads," she said.

In addition, they are planning two safety talks during the month of April. For one of these events, they will partner with the Mattapoisett Police Department to teach local students the importance of bicycle safety.

Town/RMS Look to Decrease Impact of Cuts

Rochester Board of Selectmen

By Laura Fedak Pedulli

A revised budget presented by Superintendent Doug White and the RMS Budget Subcommittee to the Rochester Board of Selectmen/Finance Committee on February 27 show some softening of the impact of cuts for next year's budget at the elementary school.

Earlier this month, the preliminary budget laid out a reduction of four staff and six paraprofessionals; however savings identified by school and town officials may save some professional teaching positions in the upper grades. The reduction of teaching staff for grades four through six were expected to raise class sizes to as high as 28 to 29 in a classroom, according to Mr. White.

A collaborative effort between Mr. White and Town Administrator Richard LaCamera helped whittle down RMS's FY 2013 budget, but cuts do remain extensive.

The school subcommittee had originally asked the town for an additional \$437,000 to level service the budget - but they settled on \$354,811 in cuts. The \$437,000 derived from projected increases due to contractual raises, higher utility costs associated with the building renovation/expansion, increased number of Bristol Aggie tuitions, and soaring special education costs.

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identified, Mr. White said cutting any more "starts to impact more personnel," he said, particularly in the higher grades.

Utility savings significantly helped bring down the cuts. "The building has expanded, and the [estimated costs] may have been inflated," Mr. White said, noting that the school would fill the oil tank less often and a new electricity agreement would reduce the cost from 10.8 cents per kilowatt hour to 6.8 cents per kilowatt hour.

Elimination of a bus, which would increase the length of the ride for some students from 45 minutes to about an hour, also yielded some savings. The bus contractor had agreed to revert to its FY 2011 rates. Both actions resulted in a savings of \$55,715.

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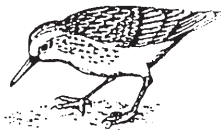
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Despite the loosening of the budget, the cuts remain substantial, with the paraprofessionals and science lab position eliminated and the technology position downgraded to .6 from full time. Mr. White said, though, that he is "optimistic" that the district may obtain a \$500,000 technology grant that could help restore the tech position. The fate of that grant will be known in two or three weeks, he said.

The issue of whether Bristol Aggie Tuitions should be on a separate line item in the town budget – as opposed to being deducted only from the RMS budget – spurred some open debate between Town Administrator Richard LaCamera and school committee member Sharon Hartley. About \$187,000 was reduced from RMS's proposed FY 2013 budget to pay for 11 high school students to attend Bristol Aggie.

"It doesn't make sense to cut teachers so we can send children to Bristol Aggie. It's a town responsibility. It doesn't make sense to take the money out of [RMS]," Ms. Hartley said.

Mr. LaCamera firmly opposed the idea, arguing that the town shoulders much of the education costs already by paying for the health insurance and unemployment worker compensation for ORR employees. "We've absorbed all of the costs for health insurance. And it has gone up 40 percent," he said, noting that the town ploughs the school parking lot and paid for the increase in the property/liability insurance for the building addition – costs that all steam from outside the RMS budget.

"It's a two-way street," Mr. LaCamera said.

The Finance Committee agreed to look at the impact on town-wide on departments if the tuition costs were distributed among them, but in a way not to completely redo all budgets.

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But Mr. LaCamera stressed that the town departments can't be squeezed further. "It's a serious problem. We are at the point we can go nowhere anymore," he said, commenting that education costs make up 67 percent of Rochester's overall budget.

The committee rejected an idea floated by one finance committee member to explore School Choice, which would allow out-of-district students to attend RMS in exchange for \$5,000 from the sending district. ORR Junior High and High School generates \$340,000 in extra revenue through School Choice, according to the superintendent.

Mr. White said it could get complicated if students from the Tri-Town opted to attend schools in other parts of the district. Also, Tina Rood pointed out that School Choice could lift the class size to the point that the hiring of a new teacher would be required, defeating the purpose of bringing down costs.

Ms. Hartley took some time to thank town and school officials for working together on the budget.

"I'm appreciative of [Richard LaCamera] and [Doug White] working together. This represents a collaborative effort," she said.

In other business discussed at the Rochester Selectmen Meeting:

- A new lockbox soon will be installed at the Town Hall to collect excise taxes (checks only) and census statements

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• Mr. LaCamera said recent connectivity problems with the Verizon landline for town buildings has prompted the town to enter into new agreement with Comcast

• Mr. LaCamera suggested that the Select Board meet with the Park Commission due to its failure to approve invoices on a timely basis and hold consistent meetings

More Oversight for Taylor Aquaculture Business

Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen

By Laura Fedak Pedulli

The safety of Taylor Seafood's aquaculture operation – located in waters at the Mattapoisett/Fairhaven border –

was put under a microscope during a discussion between the Mattapoisett Selectmen and company owner Robert Taylor at the February 28 board meeting.

Amid reports that recreational boats are getting entangled in lines around the operation – and also having difficulty navigating a nearby channel – the board met with Mr. Taylor to discuss its concerns.

With the recent installation of town aquaculture rules, Chairman Paul Silva informed Mr. Taylor that all three aquaculture operations in town would be monitored more regularly. Further, he said Mr. Taylor would be required to meet Harbormaster Horace Field's instructions on how to make his operation safer.

The discussion included at times terse exchanges as

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different accounts surfaced on the number and visibility of buoys on the perimeter of the aquaculture operation, and whether damaged lines were adrift of his operation.

Mr. Taylor spoke about his 20-year old business, noting that he places yellow buoys at the corners of his operation from May to October. He said a water buoy is present at every 40 feet and an anchor is situated at every 80 feet.

He talked about incidences of boats getting stuck in lines, and said much of that is attributed to people not knowing the lay of the waters. He recounted an episode of drunk boaters getting stuck in the lines. "It's been there for 20 years. We haven't moved. It isn't a moving target," he said.

Mr. Taylor did explain that the lines around his property "got torn to shreds" over the summer, but the lines did not go beyond his boundaries, he said.

"This report of [the line] being outside is just not true. I was out there, I know it is not true," he said. "I make a great effort that these lines don't go out of the site."

However, accounts from Selectman and Harbormaster Horace Field contradicted some of Mr. Taylor's remarks. "There hasn't been a perimeter buoy in years," countered Mr. Field. Also, said the markers around a nearby channel are not amply visible with bright colors, and are too far apart from one another.

For people moving through the channel, it poses a problem, Mr. Field said. "They are so far apart people don't relate them to each other," he said.

Selectman Jordan Collyer spoke bluntly on the matter, noting his role in rescue operations and a lifetime of experience navigating the waters.

"The channel markers are in deplorable condition. You can't even see them during the day," Selectman Collyer said.

"...At night it is a real problem, it is a problem for people who are not drunk," he said. However, after some tense exchanges, Selectman Collyer expressed that he wanted Taylor Seafood to succeed.

"I want to see your farm continued, but I want to see the safety of the public preserved," Selectman Collyer said. The board authorized the harbormaster to dictate to Mr. Taylor his requirements to keep the operation safe.

Select Chair Silva noted that Mr. Taylor had failed to comply with a similar request by the Selectmen 10 years ago, when they required the aquaculture owner to install high intensity illuminated lights on buoys around the operation. "This is not the first time it has come up," he said.

Mr. Taylor, however, indicated that he would follow through. "I want everyone to be safe, I want everyone to be satisfied," he said.

In other business, a meeting between Selectmen and the Mattapoisett Lions Club about its upcoming events, in particular the summer Harbor Days festival, spurred some dialogue on whether the club would be required to pay a user fee to access the park.

Noting the \$250 cost of private parties to use the Wharf, Selectman Collyer suggested that the Lions club review internally a possible fee, although Lions Club President Joe Murray was quick to oppose the idea.

"But the other side of the coin, is by [Harbor Days'] growth, it brings more money to the merchants of the town. Money is drawn inside of the town," Mr. Murray pointed out.

"What's fair is fair, we need to look at everything" said Selectman Collyer, offering up the idea of an in-kind donation. He said the heightened traffic during the event and the additional strain on town resources may warrant a fee.

At the end of the meeting, Mr. Murray voiced more disapproval of a user fee, listing off the Lions' contributions to the town of Mattapoisett, stating that 100 percent of proceeds from its fundraising events are for charity. The Selectmen suggested that the Lions Club present a full picture of the qualitative and quantitative impact on the organization to the town at future meetings.

In other items:

- The Selectmen approved an Easter Egg Hunt event – tentatively planned for April 7 – at Shipyard Park. The Mattapoisett Lions Club would put on the event.

- Town Administrator Michael Gagne received support from the Selectmen to approach Rochester on establishing a joint Agricultural Commission.

- Mr. Gagne discussed talk of installing a new traffic light at ORR, and said he believes better enforcement may solve the problem of speeding traffic and safety issues near the school. He suggested obtaining better data on accidents from SRPPED as part of its technical assistance before jumping into the investment, which he said could cost \$350,000 to \$400,000.

- The Tri-Town Herring Committee reported to the Selectmen that herring stocks remain low, at about only 500 more than last year.

Board Approves Three Warrant Articles

Rochester Planning Board

By Joan Hartnett-Barry

Three bylaw changes were discussed and approved

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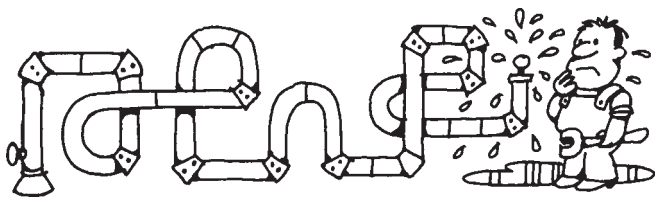
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by the Rochester Planning Board to put forward at the May Annual Town Meeting. One involves amendments to the home business bylaw, another on a sunset provision for site plan reviews and another to increase the size of an industrial district permitted sign. The board voted to recommend the articles for approval.

The changes in the proposed bylaws apply to new businesses, renovations or additions. Existing businesses are grandfathered and will not be affected by the by-law changes, if approved.

"We're trying to encourage small business in Rochester...life has changed and many people conduct business with a cell phone and a computer and we needed to update the wording of the bylaw," said Chairman Arnold Johnson.

"We wanted to clean up the wording and make it a simpler process for an applicant," said Town Planner John Charbonneau.

The proposed home business bylaw changes capped the square footage of a roadside stand, farm structure, storage building or any other accessory structure associated with a home business at 1,000 square feet. The setback for a roadside stand, which is defined as a structure, must be located not less than 25 feet from the edge of the roadway pavement. Current bylaw language is 10 feet from the roadway.

The board stressed that the bylaw change was for new business ventures, not existing businesses.

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"We are looking to the future and want to be proactive, not reactive to proposals that come before us," said Mr. Charbonneau.

Resident Craig Parker asked the board about roadside stands and asked about people who might put out a table with vegetables or flowers. Mr. Charbonneau said that a table out front of a residence was not a structure as defined in the bylaw being proposed, only structures associated with a new business.

The proposed bylaw also addresses parking issues associated with a home business, capping the number of autos parked outside of a driveway at three vehicles. "We're thinking about, perhaps a therapist, or someone giving art lessons in their home...to avoid neighborhood

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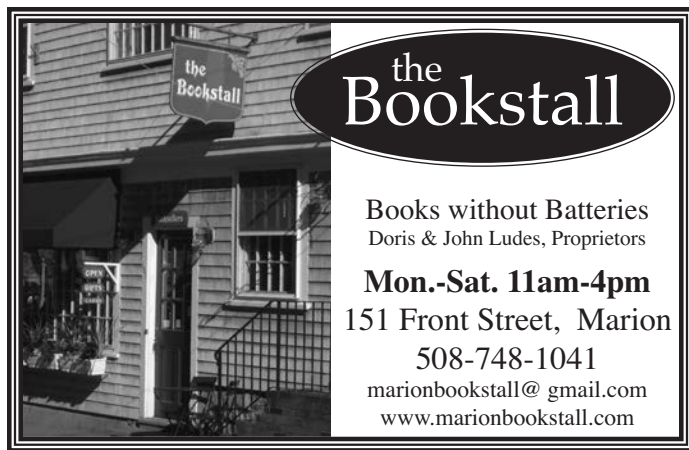
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parking issues, we cap the number of vehicles to three," said Mr. Charbonneau.

According to Mr. Charbonneau, the parking restriction does not apply to a roadside stand because cars would come and go and not be parked for an extended time period as in the case of a client coming for an hour session or by an employee of the business who would be parked for an eight hour period.

The second article recommended for approval at town meeting is the sunset provision for site plan review. Once an applicant receives an approval of a site plan review from the planning board, it would expire in two years if not acted upon.

The third article was a correction in the current bylaw addressing the size of a sign permitted in the industrial district, requiring a special permit for a sign with a total area of more than 50 square feet.

In other business, the board displayed a colored map outlining the proposed village zoning overlay district and asked those attending if they had any questions about it.

Resident Bob Larkin asked about the goals of the overlay district and future public meetings on the issue. Mr. Johnson explained that Rochester was one of the "hot spots" in growth in the state and that the board felt that they needed to plan for the future.

"This came out of that...we need to plan for the future to keep with the rural nature of our community and not just react to proposals that come to us," said Mr. Johnson.



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The board approved a mailing to those residents and businesses in the proposed over-lay district with the boundary dimensions shown, including a color map outlining the areas proposed for development.

Skrutski Denied Variance

Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals

By Eric Tripoli

The Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals voted to deny Marjorie Skrutski of 10 Marion Road a variance - which would allow her commercial neighbor, Sperry Tents, to park on her property - at their Thursday, February 23 meeting.

Ms. Skrutski originally had sought out a variance in October 2011 for an accessory use to allow the parking. At that time, the Building Commissioner had issued a Cease and Desist to Ms. Skrutski who had allowed Sperry Tents to park on her property without town authorization. Ms. Skrutski did not attend the hearing, and her denial was given by the board without prejudice.

The board also heard from Steven Alves, who requested to construct a dwelling on a parcel of land on Mattapoisett Road, but needed a variance from lot dimension requirements due to the nonconforming shape of the property. The land was originally two lots that were combined. The Board voted in favor of Mr. Alves.

The Board also approved a variance from setback requirements for Gregory Bednarczyk, who is planning to build a deck in his back yard over his existing patio.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 8 at 7:00 pm at the Rochester Town Hall.

Whaler's Way Hearing Continued

Mattapoisett Conservation Commission

By Eric Tripoli

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission held its regular meeting at 6:30 pm on Monday, February 27 at the Town Hall.

The commission heard from Rick Charon on behalf of Dean Whitla for a continued hearing regarding the installation of a new septic system on a property at 68 Fairhaven Road. Several problems with the existing system include its state of disrepair and location below the water table, which poses a contamination threat to the ground water.

According to Mr. Charon, the new system would be located above the water table and since they would be improving an existing land development, there would be no negative impact on the surrounding ecosystems. The Commission voted in favor of the plans pending a standard order of conditions.

Next, they heard from Dennis Mascetta, on behalf of the Sabra family, regarding an RDA to install a new two-car garage and back-up generator at 3 Spruce

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Avenue. One abutting neighbor voiced concern that the construction of the freestanding garage would negatively impact the unimproved road conditions in the area.

"We don't make those decisions. Unimproved road conditions aren't in our purview," said commission member Bob Rogers. They later voted in favor of the plan.

The bulk of the meeting was spent hearing from Rich Rheume of Prime Engineering, on behalf of Greg Downey and his NOI for a house on Whaler's Way. The plans require several different adjacent lots to be bundled together into a larger parcel. The few residents in attendance at the meeting voiced various opinions regarding the plans for the house.

Paul Orzenkowski of the Mattapoisett Land Trust was concerned about the status of an intermittent stream that flows on one piece of the property. The stream originates from a protected perennial stream located near the property. Conservation Commission Chairman Peter Newton said that the regulations governing intermittent and perennial streams are very similar. He did not foresee a conflict regarding the treatment of the intermittent stream. Abutter Bob Field mentioned that he was concerned that a swale on his property may be negatively affected by the construction of additional drainage culverts in the neighborhood. The hearing will be continued at the next meeting of the commission.

The commission also heard from Mr. Orzenkowski, who requested to work with the

Mattapoisett Land Trust to expand a local trail to make it better suited for horseback riding. They also discussed with Dave Davignon of Schneider and Associates a submittal requirement for a revised project on Goodspeed Island.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will be Monday, March 5 at 6:30 pm at the Town Hall.

Tabor Report

Tabor Academy Hosts the JV Prep New England

By Jake Farias

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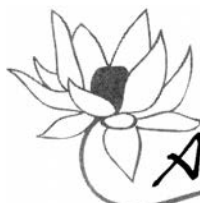
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varsity meets and tournaments, Tabor Academy's junior varsity wrestlers finally earned a chance to show off in a tournament of their own. Although the junior varsity team had attended tournaments in Pembroke and Natick, this tournament presented the team with the unique chance to become a New England champion at home. After three hours of unrolling mats, carrying tables and chairs, and taping the boundaries, Tabor's other wrestling team was ready for tournament time. Around 9:30 am, weigh-ins began and by 10:30 am, the tournament had begun.

Schools from all over New England, from Maine to Connecticut, traveled to Tabor Academy to enter their junior varsity teams. Broken into 8-man brackets, each wrestler was guaranteed at least 3 matches. These brackets were filled out at the 8 scoring tables by some Tabor varsity wrestlers and other volunteers. The first, second, third, and fourth place finishers were awarded medals at the end of the tournament. Each match was broken into one 2 minute-period and two 1 minute-periods; matches could be won on pin falls or points.

At the start of the day, many Tabor wrestlers were surprised early. Plenty of the junior varsity athletes were bumped into the conciliation round. However, as the tournament progressed, many Seawolves managed to wrestle their way back into a contest for third and fourth. Tabor junior Roger Tan and Tabor freshman Mason Johnson, in a unique situation, wrestled each other in a

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bout for third place. Although Roger ultimately emerged victorious, Mason's hard work despite an injury earlier in the year paid off in the form of a fourth place medal. Junior Michael Kadison wrestled an outstanding first round against Michael Sotirou, pinning his opponent in the second period. In the second round, competition stiffened and every Tabor wrestler besides Kadison was bumped into the conciliation rounds, while he edged out a 6 to 4 victory over a tough Hyde School-CT wrestler. In the championship match, Kadison hung on for a 4 to 2 victory over his Phillip Andover Academy opponent and became Tabor Academy's only 2012 junior varsity New England Champion.

Throughout the day, various helpers and volunteers contributed to make the tournament work. Coach Leary and Coach Townsend operated the head table and worked to make the tournament function as smoothly as possible.

The wrestlers who did not compete worked at the scoring table, excluding varsity athletes Miko McGuire and Clayton Caliendo who filled in for Leary and Townsend and worked as coaches for Tabor's junior varsity wrestlers.

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Rochester Rabies Clinic

There will be a rabies clinic on **Sunday, March 25**, from 12:00 to 2:00 pm at the Grange Hall on Hartley Road in Rochester. The cost is \$12 per shot. All animals

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Maconchu Club

In lieu of a regular meeting for March, the Maconchu Club of the Mattapoisett Congregational Church will be attending *The Boy Friend*, ORR Drama Club's spring production, on **March 25** at 2:00 pm. Tickets for members can be picked up from Carol Atkinson or ordered from Carol at 52 County Road, Unit 29, Mattapoisett. The price will be \$12 and checks should be made out to the Maconchu Club.

Rochester Republican Town Committee

The Rochester Republican Town Committee will meet **Saturday, March 10**, at 10:00 am at the Underhill Residence. Public welcome.

Plumb Library Events

The following are the programs for March at the Joseph H. Plumb Memorial Library, 17 Constitution Way, Rochester:

• **Nonfiction Book Discussion Group** -- The Nonfiction Book Discussion Group will meet **Thursday, March 22** at 6:30 pm to discuss *In the Garden of the Beasts: Love, Terror, and an American Family in Hitler's Berlin* by Erik Larson. Larson, author of *Devil in the White City* and *Isaac's Storm*, this time turns his gaze to Berlin at the start of the Third Reich. The American ambassador, William Dodd and his family have just moved to Germany. His warnings about Hitler fall on deaf ears as his daughter has affairs with a powerful Nazi and with a Soviet spy.

• **Cafe Parlez** -- Café Parlez' selection for March is *The Invention of Hugo Cabret* by Brian Selznick. Orphan, clock keeper and thief Hugo lives in the walls of a Paris train station. When he becomes friends with a bookish girl and a crotchety old toy seller, his undercover life and most precious secret are put in jeopardy. This book won the Caldecott Award for Illustration in 2008 and was recently

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made into a movie. We will be discussing Hugo Cabret on **Thursday, March 29** at 6:30 pm. Books are available at the desk, or bring your own copy.

•**Knitting Group** -- Join fellow knitters and crocheters at Mary Leonard's Knitting Group on Friday afternoons from 2:00 – 3:30 pm. Knitters and crocheters of all levels are invited to drop by to enjoy tea, cookies and the company of fellow crafters. Beginners are welcome.

•**Coffee with the Candidates** -- Being an informed voter is the best way to participate in a democracy. With that in mind, the Plumb Library offers its first Coffee with the Candidates. Join us on **Saturday, March 24** from 9:30—11:00 am for an informal "meet and greet" with the candidates for the local election. Refreshments will be served thanks to the Friends of Plumb Library. Drop by and meet your neighbors who are running for local offices such as Selectmen, Library Trustees, Water Department and more.

•**Irish Music and Fun** -- Children ages 4-10 are invited to take part in *Music 'n' Fun Class with Aoife Clancy: A St. Paddy's Day Celebration* on **Saturday, March 24** at 11:30 am. Aoife Clancy brings her years of music experience and her unique style of teaching to incorporate traditional Irish music, song and dance from her Celtic roots. Aoife feels it's important to get children involved in music class, so she'll be demonstrating a simple Irish jig along with songs her father taught her growing up in Ireland. She will share stories of Irish mythology dating back hundreds of years. All of this will be done in a very informal and fun way. The class should run about 50 minutes in length, and space will be limited. Comfortable clothing should be worn and shoes will be removed to avoid little people from getting hurt. Call 508-763-8600, drop by the library at 17 Constitution Way, Rochester, or email info@plumblibrary.com to reserve a space. This program is sponsored by the Friends of Plumb Library.

To find out more about these and other programs at the Plumb Library, visit our website at www.plumblibrary.com and check the Events Calendar. You can also check our blog at plumblibrary.wordpress.com, or "like" us on Facebook. The 100th person to "like" us wins

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Mattapoisett Cultural Council

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Woven through the fabric of our life experiences here in Mattapoisett are cultural events that highlight traditions, create learning opportunities and draw our community together. You may be surprised to learn that many of them are funded, in part, by your Local Cultural Council.

Some examples include the Harborfest, field trips for Mattapoisett school children, live performances in schools, the Council on Aging, the Free Public Library and other venues and the ORCTV Telethon.

Your Local Cultural Council also supports arts, humanities and sciences regionally, such as the Teen Artist Internship Program at ArtWorks!, the Buzzards Bay Musicfest and both the SouthCoast Children's Theatre and the SouthCoast Children's Chorus.

We need your interest and support to keep the Council connected to opportunities in the arts, humanities and sciences throughout our community. Please join us for our public meeting. You can also contact us at MattapoisettLCC@gmail.com.

Buzzards Bay Coalition New State Tax Credit

For the first time ever, landowners who engage in conservation transactions with the Buzzards Bay Coalition or other area land trusts or agencies may be eligible for a powerful new tax advantage—a State income tax credit worth up to \$50,000. This is exciting news for conservation organizations and the landowners who can now take advantage of State tax incentives in

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When the land has been preserved, landowners are eligible for a tax credit of \$50,000 or 50 percent of the appraised value; whichever is less. The credit amount is based on an appraisal of the land's market value and the State will refund any unused credit in the first year of the gift. That means that if the credit is larger than your State income tax liability you will receive a check for the remainder of the credit.

You do not need to reside in Massachusetts or even pay taxes here; so long as you own the land, and the land qualifies, you qualify. The State approved the first 22 applications in December, returning \$976,000 in credits to landowners throughout the state. A full \$2 million is available statewide in 2012.

Remember that this new tax credit is in addition to the regular federal income tax incentives for charitable contributions of land or interests therein. Buzzards Bay Coalition can be contacted for more details or a free, confidential consultation at www.savebuzzardsbay.org.

ORR Junior Class Talent Show

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The show will feature a variety of acts including singing, dancing and music. All proceeds will benefit the junior class and their upcoming semi-formal. For more information, contact the class of 2013's advisor Jeanette Raposa at jraposa@orr.mec.edu.

Cook and Books

Kristen Throop Boucher, RN, Health and Wellness Coach, and Certified Specialist in Fitness Nutrition with MIX Wellness (www.mixwellness.com), and Founder of *For The Love Of Fiber* (www.fortheloveoffiber.com), a food blog dedicated to healthy eats, treats, and fun facts celebrating fiber, will be joining Cook and Books on **Tuesday, March 6** at 7:00 pm at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library to talk about whole grains, what they are, the health benefits, and how to easily and deliciously incorporate more into your life. Fiberlicious snacks will be served and free samples will be given to attendees to take home. Come on down and see for yourself that healthy CAN taste great!

Cooks and Books meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the library, which is located at 7 Barstow Street in Mattapoisett village. The group invites chefs, cookbook authors and others in the food and local agriculture industries to present informative programs. Everyone is welcome to attend.




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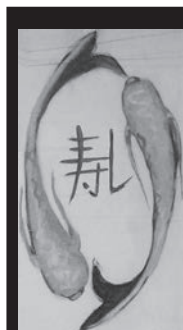
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Marion Art Center

The Annual Meeting of the Marion Art Center will be held on **Tuesday, March 27** at 7:00 pm in the auditorium of the Art Center, at 80 Pleasant Street (corner of Main and Pleasant Streets), Marion. All members are invited to attend. Annual reports will be presented, and officers and new members of the Board of Directors will be elected.

A non-profit entity, the Marion Art Center has been serving the community for 55 years. Founded in 1957, its mission is to promote the visual and performing arts. The Art Center is comprised of two galleries, a small, intimate theatre, and a studio. Monthly gallery exhibitions are scheduled year round in a variety of media and styles. The Center hosts openings for each show and receives a nominal commission on the sales. The Theatre produces several quality productions during the year and a musical or variety show in the summer. The Center offers a full

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• **Cookbooks For Sale** – The Friends' new community cookbook is available for sale at the library. It includes delicious recipes submitted by local chefs and cookbook authors as well as members of the Friends and library patrons. These will make great gifts while also supporting the work of the Friends. The books are \$10 each.

• **Technology Workshops** – Confused about whether to buy a Nook or a Kindle? Wondering what all the hype about e-readers means to you? Do you have an iPad and want to learn how to download books from the library? Join the library staff at one of our informal technology workshops and get your questions answered. E-readers will be available to try and staff will show you how to download books and audiobooks. Workshops will be held every Tuesday at 6:30 pm and on Thursdays at 3:00 pm through the months of December and January. For an individual appointment with technology questions please call Liz Sherry at 508-758-4171 or email her at esherry@sailsinc.org.

• **Canned Goods for the Food Pantry** – The library is accepting nonperishables to help stock local food pantries. Feel free to bring you items to the library throughout the year. Also welcome are hats and gloves and new socks to be distributed to area shelters. Many thanks in advance for your thoughtfulness.

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am, children will be treated to a free performance of *Scratch Scratch a Perfect Match*. An original score has been composed to accompany the story written by Kimberly Marcus, who will be present to sign copies of her book. The music will be performed by Peter Zay, a cellist with the New Bedford Symphony Orchestra. The education program has been made possible by the New Bedford Symphony Orchestra and Friends of the Mattapoisett Library.

•**Used Book Sale** -- The Friends of the Mattapoisett Library will be holding a Used Book and Bake Sale on **Saturday March 10**, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Hundreds of new titles will be available for both adults and children. Donations are welcome any day the library is open.

•**Jr. Friends Can and Bottle Redemption** -- Bring your redeemable cans and bottles to the library on **Saturday March 10**, from 9:00 to 10:00 am to support the work of the Jr. Friends.

•**Dr. Greg Johnson** -- On **Wednesday, March 14** at 7:00 pm, Dr. Gregory Johnson of Wareham Orthopedics will present a program with photos and artifacts about his volunteer experience in Afghanistan during the years of the Soviet invasion in the late 1980s and early 1990s. Hear how he provided medical care to adults and children who were wounded as a result of bombing and land mines. Hear about the lasting bond he formed with the Afghan people. Food prepared from Afghani recipes will be available.

•**Richard Louv** -- Mark your calendars for **Thursday, March 29** at 7:00 pm, when author and environmentalist Richard Louv will be speaking about *The Nature Principle* and *The New Nature Movement* at Tifereth Israel Congregation, adjacent to Buttonwood Park. The program is free to the public and many recreational and environmental organizations will be on hand to provide literature about their activities. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

Mattapoisett PTA Community Spelling Bee

On **Friday, March 9** at 6:00 pm at the ORRHS Auditorium, the Mattapoisett PTA is holding its First

Annual Community Spelling Bee. The PTA is signing up 20 teams of three (*with one back up teammate) to compete for the status of "Town's BEST Spellers". Teams are adults and students 14 years+ on a team. For a contribution of \$50, you and two* other fabulous spellers will have the chance to show us what you know! Prizes will be awarded. Deadline for entering is Friday, March 2. For additional information, visit www.mattapoisettPTA.org or contact: Kris Higgins at khiggins43@verizon.net or Amy Wiggin at amywiggin@verizon.net

Michael Rock from Fun 107 will emcee the event with music by DJ Mike Bowman. The Word Announcer will be Kevin Tavares, OHS 4th Grade Teacher and judges will be Rose Bowman, Center School Principal; Matt D'Andrea, OHS Principal; Sue Powers, OHS Secretary. Teams will be listed on the www.mattapoisettPTA.org website. In addition to spelling words correctly, there will be raffles and a concession stand. General Admission: \$2 per person. Don't miss out on this night of fun for the whole family.

Sippican Woman's Club Meeting

Are you overwhelmed by computer technology, jargon and numerous options of New Age devices on the market? Gino Fernandes, Jr. will aid us in understanding the computer and simplify selection of the tools/software available to us at the next Sippican Woman's Club meeting on **Friday, March 9** at 12:30 pm. The club's meeting will be held at Handy's Tavern, Front Street, Marion. There will be a finger luncheon before the presentation. New members are always welcome. See the Sippican Woman's Club website www.sippicanwomansclub.org for information.

Toe Jam Puppet Band Concert at Center School

The Tri-town Project GROW Parents' Group invites you to a Toe Jam Puppet Band Concert on **Saturday, March 17**, at 1:00 pm. They will perform in the Center School Gymnasium in Mattapoisett. Admission is \$10 per family and proceeds benefit the Project GROW Scholarship Program. Bake sale items and snacks will be available for purchase.

ORYF Pop Warner All-American Scholars

Several ORYF Bulldogs were recently chosen as 2012 Pop Warner All-American Scholars for the New England region. To be eligible to receive this honor, a student must be a football player or cheerleader with a minimum grade point average of 96 percent. Team placement is determined by each scholar's academic achievements along with their extracurricular activities and community service. All of the scholars have now moved on to be evaluated at the All-American national level. The 2012 Scholars are:

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• **Sixth Grade:** First Team: Michael Kennefick II.
Second Team: Jenna Aruri, Noah Fernandes.

• **Seventh Grade:** First Team: Lillian Healy.
Second Team: Tessa Camboia, Nathan Garcia, Jordan McArdle, Tyler Mourao.

• **Eighth Grade:** First Team: Riley Johnson, Thomas Winters.

The scholars are invited to attend the New England region banquet at Gillette Stadium to celebrate their outstanding accomplishments.

South Coast Bikeway Meeting

The South Coast Bikeway Committee is presenting a workshop on the nuts and bolts of building a bicycle-friendly community on **Wednesday, March 14** at The Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School auditorium at 1121 Ashley Blvd New Bedford.

The event will have light refreshments and is free of charge. There is no need to RSVP, just show up and learn something! If you have any questions, please contact Adam Recchia at 508-824-1367 or arecchia@srpedd.org: Program schedule is as follows: 5:30-6:00 pm: Social "half-hour," 6:00-6:20 pm: *What is the South Coast Bikeway?* By Adam Recchia, SRPEDD, 6:20-7:00 pm: *Low Cost Alternatives to Building a Bicycle-friendly Community* By Bill DeSantis, P.E., Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc., 7:00-7:30 pm: Q&A with Bill and Adam. Is open to anyone and everyone interested in seeing more bicycle-friendly communities, including planners, local public works officials, local officials and residents interested in bicycling.

Buzzards Bay Coalition Restoration Workshop

On **March 1, 22** and **April 5** from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm, the Buzzards Bay Coalition will host its free annual decision-maker workshop series focusing on Restoring the Bay's Natural Resources. The free three-part workshop series will include site visits, lectures from restoration experts, and discussions in order to understand the ins and outs of restoring the region's rivers, wetlands and living resources.

Throughout history, the natural resources of Buzzards Bay have been damaged and degraded. Many of the rivers and wetlands critical for clean water and life in the Bay have become impaired. In order to improve the health of the water in the Bay, we must improve the land that surrounds it.

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Academic Achievements:

Hannah Dupont of Rochester and **Amy Malkoski** of Marion, have earned Dean's list status for the Fall 2011 semester at Roger Williams University.

Obituaries:

Madeline S. "Nanee" (Silva) Tinkham of Fairhaven died February 19, 2012 at Tobey Hospital peacefully after a wonderful life.

She was the wife of the late Howard G. Tinkham.

Born in New Bedford on May 14, 1913, she was the daughter of the late Antonio G. and Emma G. (Vieira) Silva, she lived in New Bedford before moving to Fairhaven.

She was formerly employed by Morse Twist Drill and later at S.S. Kresge's as personnel manager until her retirement.

Mrs. Tinkham was a graduate of New Bedford High School.

She loved to read but her greatest joy was her family especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Survivors include her daughter, Karen Oliveira and her husband Leonard of Rochester; 3 grandchildren, Michael H. Oliveira and his wife Deborah of Fairhaven, Kerrie Oswald and her husband Michael of Dartmouth and Ashley Hutton and her husband Jeremy of Wrentham; and 4 great-grandchildren.

She was the sister of the late Albert, Wilfred, Fred, Carl and Helen Silva.

Funeral from the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home For Funerals, 50 County Rd. (Rt. 6) Mattapoisett Thursday, February 23rd at 9 AM. Funeral Mass at St. Rose of Lima Church in Rochester at 10 AM. Burial will follow in Rural Cemetery. Visiting hours were held on Wednesday, February 22nd from 4-8 PM.



James B. Barron, 81, of Marion died February 26, 2012 at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston.

He was the beloved husband of Mary R. "Maisie" (Naclerio) Barron.

Born in Boston, the son of the late Thomas M. and Mary M. (Murphy) Barron, he lived in Braintree and Ellenville before moving to Marion in 2000.

Mr. Barron was a communicant of St. Rita's Church in Marion and St.

Anthony's Church in Mattapoisett. He was a lector and altar server at St. Rita's Church. He was awarded the Marian Medal by the Diocese of Fall River, for service to his parish.

He was formerly employed in the banking industry for many years retiring as president and chief executive officer of Shawmut Bank of Southeastern Massachusetts. He was also employed by Bank of New England as vice president where he was in charge of International Banking, Middleborough Trust Company, and Commerce Bank and Trust. Mr. Barron was a director of three nationally traded mutual funds.

Mr. Barron was a graduate of Boston College High School, class of 1948, Boston College B.S. Cum Laude, class of 1959. He was a proud Golden Eagle and "Double Eagle." He was a member of the Boston College Alumni Association. He attended Christ Church College, Oxford, England. He was a member of the Town of Marion Finance Committee, Sippican Rod and Gun Club, and the Piney Point Beach Club. He was past president of the Southeastern Massachusetts University Foundation, the Wamsutta Club, and the New Bedford Chamber of Commerce, where he was elected to the New Bedford Business Hall of Fame. He was an arbitrator and member of the American Arbitration Association. He served as a board member for the Commonwealth Figure Skating Club and North Braintree Little League.

He enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren, being on the water, travel, music, education, being a recreational pilot and he was fluent in many languages.

Mr. Barron served in U.S. Army intelligence during the Korean War.

Survivors include his devoted wife; 3 sons, James B. Barron, Jr. and his wife Anamaria of Boston, Michael F. Barron and his wife Colleen, of Braintree and Stephen R. Barron and his wife Merike of Marion; 3 daughters, Kelly Barron Kelleher and her husband Timothy, and Rachel Barron Lynch and her husband Stephen, both of Marion and Aimee Barron Driscoll and her husband Dennis of Milton; 2 brothers, Thomas M. Barron, Esq. of Quincy and John Barron of Billerica; 3 sisters, Arlene Barron Champoux, Esq. of Winchester, Mary Barron Staffier of Billerica and Joan Barron Connolly of Norwell; 13 grandchildren, Aimee, Timothy and Chloe Kelleher, all of Marion, Brendan, Matthew and Patrick Barron, all of Boston, Julia and Emily Barron, both of Braintree, Sophie Lynch of Marion and Madelyn, Owen, William and Isabelle Driscoll, all of Milton; and many nieces and nephews.

His Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday at 11 AM in St. Anthony's Church, 22 Barstow St., Mattapoisett. Burial will follow in Old Landing Cemetery, Marion. Visiting hours Tuesday from 3-8 PM in the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home For Funerals, 50 County Rd. (Rt. 6), Mattapoisett. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the James B. Barron Memorial Scholarship Fund at Boston College High School, 150 Morrissey Blvd., Boston, MA 02125 or www.bchigh.edu/give (Please note James B. Barron Memorial Scholarship Fund.) For directions and guestbook, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.

If you have a notice you would like to have included in the Milestone section, please contact our office at : 508 758-9055, by fax at 508-758-4845, or by email at office@wanderer.com. Included in the Milestone Section is Birth Announcements, Obituaries, Engagement Notices, Wedding Notices, Anniversaries and Memorials.

Coalition's free three-part workshop series will provide tools so that municipal officials, scientists, and community members can help make restoration happen. While including projects for all the Bay's natural resources, each workshop addresses a unique challenge for restoration.

The **March 1** workshop will explore how restoration can benefit the region's natural resources with a focus on assessing damaged natural resources and the values associated with restoration. David Burdick, Marine Wetland Ecology and Restoration Professor at the University of New Hampshire, will be the keynote speaker and the workshop will include a site visit to the Bay Coalition Acushnet River restoration sites.

On **March 22**, we learn how to involve the community in restoration plans. This session will focus on developing transparent restoration plans that address economic cost benefits and safety concerns of stakeholders. David Gould, Environmental Resources Manager from the Town of Plymouth, will be the keynote speaker and the workshop will include a site visit to Sippewissett Marsh in Falmouth.

Finally the **April 5** workshop will demonstrate how to make restoration projects happen. This session will focus on managing multi-source funding, permitting, planning and design, and managing construction. Tim Purinton, Director of the Division of Ecological Restoration for the Massachusetts Department of Fish and Game, will be the keynote speaker and the workshop will include a site visit to Red Brook River restoration site.

For more information visit www.savebuzzardsbay.org/decisionmaker or contact Shannon McManus, 508-999-6363 ext. 226, mcmanus@savebuzzardsbay.org to register.

Birds of Coastal Massachusetts

The Marion Natural History Museum is hosting "Birds of Coastal Massachusetts" with Vernon Laux on **Friday, March 23** at 7:00 pm at the Marion Music Hall.

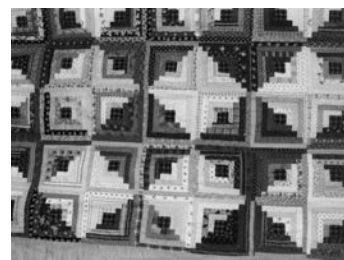
Vern Laux is a bird expert, butterfly enthusiast, international bird tour leader, columnist and author. Mr. Laux has birded extensively all over North America and visited all seven continents, including over 20 trips to the Antarctic, to observe birds and some of the most spectacular wildlife and scenery on the planet. He has written thousands of newspaper columns about birds and the natural world appearing in the New York Times, the Cape Cod Times, the Martha's Vineyard Times, Vineyard Gazette, and Nantucket's Inquirer and Mirror, and published magazine articles in a variety of magazines including Birders' World and Birding, and is author of the book Bird News-Vagrants And Visitors On A Peculiar Island.

He is on the radio the first Monday of every month as the permanent guest on The Point with Mindy Todd on the Cape and Island National Public Radio stations WCAI, WNAN and WZAI to discuss and take

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phone calls about birds. He also writes and records for broadcast a weekly commentary called Bird News that airs two days per week.

Passionate about wildlife, especially birds and butterflies, his favorite group is shorebirds, fabulous globetrotting migrants that fly to the "ends of the earth" twice annually.

Mr. Laux was the ABC News "Person of the Week" with host Peter Jennings, the last Friday in August 2004 after finding the rarest bird in the Americas so far this century a Red-footed Falcon. He lives on Nantucket and is the Resident Naturalist, Land Manager and Education Director for the Linda Loring Nature Foundation.

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EDITOR'S PICK OF THE WEEK

History of the Pigwacket

In 1740, the death of the Holy Roman Emperor, Charles IV, set off the War of Austrian Succession. The War would have ripple effects felt around the world in Rochester. When Charles IV died his daughter, Maria Theresa was left to take his place. France and Prussia challenged her authority declaring she was not eligible to assume the various thrones held by the Hapsburgs because she was a woman. The British and Dutch who had long been enemies of the French supported Austria. Great Britain did not get involved in the war until late 1743. In March 1744, war was officially declared between France and Great Britain. In May, the news reached the French colony at Nova Scotia. The French wasted little time in attacking British ports. The war soon spread to British holdings in New York, New Hampshire and Massachusetts. The war front in the American colonies is known as King George's War.

Native Americans were often drawn in to colonial wars as allies for the colonists. War could be a valuable source of income for natives but could also be devastating to native families because Native American men suffered high mortality rates in conflicts.

Native Americans also sided with the French during colonial conflicts with the British. Eastern Abenaki in Maine often sided with the French but by the outbreak of King George's War the Abenaki were suffering from internal conflicts and the southern Abenaki known as the Pigwacket sided with the British.

However, not all of the Pigwacket wished to take sides and fight in the war. In July 1744, several Pigwacket leaders went to Boston to ask the Governor for a safe place to settle during the duration of the war. The Pigwacket wanted to locate to an area in which they had friends. The colonial government denied this request instead choosing a settlement where they could keep a close eye on and make sure they did not get involved in the war against the British. The other option given to the Pigwacket people was to return to where they came from and face a harsh treatment from both sides of the



Kyle DeCicco-Carey

war parties.

The Pigwacket were moved to Castle Island where they were put to work making snowshoes. A colonial committee had been charged with investigating the situation at Castle Island and decided to send the Pigwacket to "English Families, as shall be willing on reasonable Conditions to receive them..." The colonial government wanted to move the Pigwacket further away from the war front, ideally south of Boston. However, they had difficulty finding a town that would welcome them.

By 1746, the Pigwacket found a home in Rochester. The people of Rochester were willing to host the war refugees and provided some land at Attansawomuck Neck now known as Mattapoissett Neck for the Pigwacket to live. Local residents Noah Sprague and Benjamin Hammond, Jr. were appointed by the colonial committee to act as guardians. These men provided the Pigwacket with necessary tools such as axes, hoes and a fishing boat with funds given by the committee.



Noah Sprague sent bills to the committee to have them pay for materials and goods used by the Pigwacket people including wood cut from his swamp that was used to make baskets and dishes, cedar shingles and picked green apples. Sprague even charged the committee thirty pounds for "extradinary Travle & care" he had provided.

The Pigwacket people felt the reservation they had been placed on was too confining and they were not happy with their situation. A Rochester resident complained that the Pigwacket were "insolent and surly" and asked the General Court to remove them from Rochester. A General Court committee investigated the situation and accused local residents of selling liquor to the Pigwacket and providing poor guardianship.

The Pigwacket stayed in Rochester but were moved to another tract of land northwest of the Witch Rock on New Bedford Road. By the early 1900s, this area of land had been "given up to woods and huckleberry pastures" and was known in Rochester as Pigwacket.

In 1748 many of the Pigwacket left and returned home. However, some settled with Native Americans in Dartmouth, Freetown and Middleboro. The name Pigwacket survives today in Mattapoissett as Pigwacket Lane but the location of this street does not correspond with the location of the Pigwacket settlement over two centuries ago.

Cost is \$6 per person. To register in advance please contact the Marion Natural History Museum, P.O. Box 644, Marion, MA 02738, phone 508-748-2098, or go online to www.marionmuseum.org.

Flower Arranging Program At RWC

The next regular meeting of the Rochester Women's Club is scheduled for **March 1** beginning at 6:30 pm. Following a business meeting, Bunny Mogilnicki will demonstrate how to make a basket arrangement of fresh spring flowers. Members are invited to join in. If you are interested in making a basket of flowers with Bunny, please RSVP to 508-322-0998. A \$15 materials fee will be collected at the meeting. Refreshments will be served. This should be a fun evening. Bring along a friend!

• **Soups for Scholarships** - The Rochester Women's Club will be offering Soups for Scholarships, a fund-raising project, on **March 4** from 12:00 - 1:30 pm at the clubhouse (Marion Rd., Rochester Center). Take-out orders of turkey vegetable or kale soups will be available at \$4.75/pint or \$6.75/quart. To place your order, call Marsha at 508-322-0998. This is a great fund-raiser for a great cause. Please participate and spread the word. All proceeds will benefit the Rochester Women's Club Scholarship Fund.

UCT Home and Garden Show

Upper Cape Tech welcomes the public to attend their second annual Home and Garden Show on **Saturday, March 17**, and **Sunday, March 18** from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm each day. This year, the show will feature an Irish theme.

Exhibitors will be promoting their products and services. Home improvement demonstrations will be held throughout the weekend. On Saturday and Sunday, there will be cooking demonstrations and various outdoor displays. On Sunday, there will be a pastry sale and live Irish music by The Shananagans. Come see Breakaway Grills, "The X Grill." This is a family-friendly event with fun activities planned for both days: raffle prizes, children's entertainment,



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SHS Presents: *Young Mr. Lincoln*

Friday, March 2 will mark the second installment of the Sippican Historical Society's popular new program: Classic Film Fridays. One Friday each month, the Society presents a classic film and offers a discussion on its historical context or significance. March will feature the acclaimed *Young Mr. Lincoln*, starring Henry Fonda and directed by John Ford. The film depicts a decade in the early life of Abraham Lincoln, as he moves from a Kentucky cabin to Springfield, Illinois, to begin his law practice. Hosting the evening's discussion will be Tabor faculty member and classic film buff, David Pierce.

Future presentations will include *Sunrise at Campobello* on April 13 and *Maytime* on May 4. Classic Film Fridays are held at the Marion Music Hall on Front Street and are offered free of charge to the public. Films begin at 7:00 pm, and refreshments are available. For more information, contact the SHS at 508-748-1116.

MAC to present *Romantic Fools*

On **March 16, 17, 18, 23 and 24**, the Marion Art Center will provide the perfect date-night comedy: *Romantic Fools*, a comic vaudeville revue by playwright

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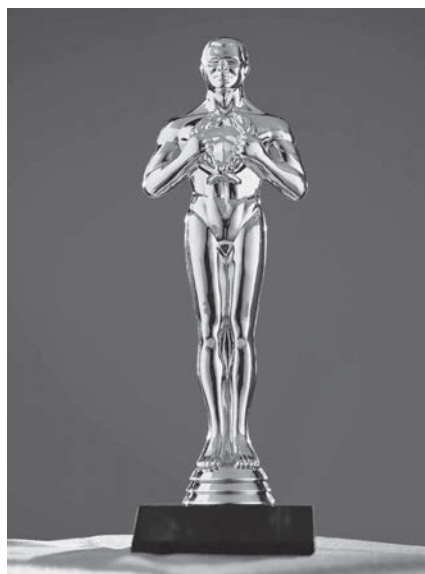
The Oscars

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Boy, last Sunday's Oscar show was the best Oscar show of 1991. Billy Crystal came back to host (for the umpteenth time) after eight years away, and he pulled out all the old reliable shtick: the opening musical number, the "what are they thinking" skit. After trying something different last year with Anne Hathaway and James Franco (I didn't think they were *that* bad), and coming close to an Eddie Murphy-hosted evening, the Academy fell back on the tried and true. Crystal was Crystal: amiable, relaxed, professional. You knew he was going to steer this ship without hitting an iceberg. You also knew he wouldn't do anything much worth talking about the next day.

The lack of surprise infested the whole evening, though *Hugo* did win more awards than I expected it to, throwing a couple of spanners in the works of the *Artist* Oscar juggernaut machine. Nobody who follows these things doubted that *The Artist*, which seems tailor-made for self-regarding Hollywood insiders to vote for and feel good about themselves, would go the distance. The theme of the evening appeared to be looking back fondly on cinema experiences that, while not dead yet, have definitely seen better days. The question is whether *The Artist* star (and new Best Actor winner) Jean Dujardin will parlay the wins into a Hollywood career. Like Roberto Benigni, he might be the foreigner who has his day in the American sun and then retreats to his home country, seldom to be seen on these shores again.

Something occurred to me as Cirque du Soleil were performing their death-defying acrobatics and the show cut away to a lingering shot of George Clooney watching them: Clooney may be the new Jack Nicholson, comfortably seated in front and enjoying the many tributes paid to him. He didn't win anything, but the night seemed to revolve around him and his amused humility. Among the presenters, Robert Downey Jr. got a laugh out of me with his documentary shtick, and Will Ferrell and Zach Galifianakis clashing their cymbals at least kept me awake. Towards the end, just when I thought we might get out of there in under three hours, the presenters for



Best Actor and Actress (last year's winners Natalie Portman and Colin Firth) had to stop and say nice things about each of the nominees, as if Natalie Portman had seen *A Better Life* and was qualified to talk about Demian Bichir's performance.

Possibly I'm forgetting something, but nothing in the

show struck me as tacky or incomprehensible this year, which removes half the fun of post-Oscar analysis. Even the standard "in memoriam" segment was tasteful; lately they've been telling the audience not to applaud, whereas before you'd get "Joe Schmoe, sound mixer" and there'd be a polite golf clap and then Beloved Film Star would get a loud response. They always leave out a ton of people, but this year they found room for oddball backyard filmmaker George Kuchar, and there was a nod to "Steve Jobs, executive," who was there because he co-founded Pixar. (Who won nothing; Pixar had an off-year with *Cars 2*.)

Other than perhaps *The Help*, did any of the nominated films engender any rooting interest among the normals — the non-film-geeks? Nine films nominated for Best Picture and they didn't have space for *Bridesmaids*. One odd, bright detail: Jim Rash, better known as the weirdo dean on *Community*, now has an Oscar for screenwriting (*The Descendants*), and he did some funny vamping onstage while cowriter Alexander Payne delivered a gracious speech. And Meryl Streep may sense that people think she's won enough Oscars, but she hadn't actually won one since thirty years ago — she's just been *nominated* a ton of times. Also, as usual, I heard "Scorsese" pronounced two different ways: "scor-SAY-see" and "scor-SEZ-ee." For the record, the man himself says it the latter way. Y'know, if you ever meet him.

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With influences of Monty Python, Saturday Night Live, Jules Feiffer, the Marx Brothers, and classic vaudeville comedy, these sketches vary in style but all celebrate the inherent hilarity of male-female relationships. Take note: this show is for adults only!

The Marion Art Center is located at 80 Pleasant St, Marion. Tickets are \$10 for MAC Members and \$12.50 for non-members. It is highly recommended to call for reservations: 508-7481266. Cabaret tables may be reserved for parties of 4.

Marion Social Club Steak Dinner

The Marion Social Club is hosting a Steak Dinner on **March 4**. Doors open at 12 noon, meal will be served at 1:00 pm. The meal will consist of salad, steak, potato, vegetable, rolls, and desserts. Donation is \$15; cut-off to obtain tickets is February 27. Contact club member, Brenda at 508-291-4062 for tickets and info. March 4, 12:00 to 4:00 pm The Marion Social Club is located at 44 Pumping Station Road, Marion.

Flower Arranging Demonstration

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flower arranging demonstration. Each participant will bring home an arrangement of their own making. Preregistration is required. Please call the COA at 508 748-3570 to reserve your spot.

Machacam Club

The Machacam Club will hold its March meeting on the **March 7** at the Legion Hall, 3 Depot Street. Social time is 5:30 pm, dinner at 6:00 pm.

Our speaker this month will be **Joseph Langlois**, President of the Fort Rodman / Fort Tabor Historical Association. Our thanks go out to Mike Jennings and Dave Medeiros for arranging this presentation. Joe will cover, in detail, the development of the armament and artillery that was installed at the fort during the Civil War.

The founding and growth of the Historical Association will also be touched upon. Probably the organization's greatest achievement was the establishment and continued growth of the well-known military museum located at the site that has become a very popular stop for not only tourists but also locals.

Callers are asked to bear in mind the importance of call list accuracy. Please report your lists not later than 9:00 pm, March 5 by calling 508-758-9311 or Email GPFNR@AOL.COM. Members may make last minute changes by calling the same phone number or Email no later than 9:00 am on March 6.

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Sunday March 4, 2011

6:30 AM – Words of Peace
7:00 AM – Second Coming Church
8:00 AM – New Testament Church of Cedarville
9:00 AM – Music and the Spoken Word
9:30 AM – First
Congregational Church of Rochester
11:00 AM – Physician Focus
11:30 White House Chronicle
Noon – Register's Report
12:30 PM – Army Newswatch
1:00 PM – Community Nurse and Hospice Housecalls
1:30 PM – Navigating the Way For Seniors
2:00 PM – Music and the Spoken Word
2:30 PM – First
Congregational Church of Rochester
4:00 PM – New Testament Church of Cedarville
9:30 PM – Dartmouth Community Medical School Forums
Midnight – Midnight Movie

Monday March 5, 2011

8:00 AM – Deutsche Welle - Arts.21
9:00 AM – Your Money Your Life
10:00 AM – Army Newswatch
10:30 AM – White House Chronicle
11:00 AM – Senior Stretch
11:30 AM – Jazzercise
Noon – Middy Movie
2:00 PM – Robbi Around Town
3:00 PM – Words of Peace
4:00 PM – Earth Focus
4:30 PM – Explore
5:00 PM – Reeling – The Movie Review Show
5:30 PM – Around BCC
6:00 PM – Become Your Own Gym
9:00 PM – Deutsche Welle - European Journal
9:30 PM – Global 3000
10:30 PM – Life Matters
11:00 PM – The David Pakman Show
Midnight – Midnight Movie

Tuesday March 6, 2011

8:00 AM – Navigating the Way for Seniors

9:00 AM – Graceful Aging
9:30 AM – ORCTV's Non Profit Highlights
10:00 AM – Senior Scene
11:00 AM – Senior Stretch
11:30 AM – Jazzercise
Noon – Middy Movie
3:00 PM – Dartmouth Community Medical School Forum
5:30 PM – Graceful Aging
6:30 PM – The Dr. Is In
7:00 PM – Senior Scene
7:30 PM – ORCTV's Nonprofit Highlights
8:00 PM – Upper Cape Tech Presents – Careers
9:00 PM – Robbi Around Town
10:00 PM – Community Nurse and Hospice's - House Calls
10:30 PM – Physician Focus
11:00 PM – Free Minds TV
Midnight – Midnite Mausoleum

Wednesday March 7, 2011

8:00 AM – Cooking with Colby
9:00AM – Gardening
10:00 AM – Cooking with Marie
10:30 AM – Living Healthy – with Jackie Bell
11:00 AM – Senior Stretch
11:30 AM – Jazzercise
Noon – Middy Movie
3:00 PM – Sci-Fi Journal
4:00 PM – The David Pakman Show
5:00 PM – The Register's Report
6:00 PM – Become Your Own Gym
8:00 PM – The David Pakman Show
9:00 PM – Neighbor to Neighbor with Don Cuddy
10:30 PM – Life Matters
11:00 PM – 30 Odd Minutes
11:30 PM – Paranormal Generation
Midnight – Midnight Movie
1:30 AM – Sci-Fi Journal

Thursday March 8, 2011

8:00 AM – Navigating the Way for Seniors
9:00 AM – The Register's Report
10:00 AM – NASA 360
10:30 AM – Kids a Cookin'
11:00 AM – Senior Stretch
11:30 AM – Jazzercise
Noon – Middy Movie
1:30 PM – U-Mass
Dartmouth Winter Sports

6:00 PM – Robbi Around Town
7:00 PM – Reeling – The Movie Review Show
7:30 PM – The Cooking Hour
8:30 PM – The Jazz Room Live
9:00 PM – Just Coolin' - Jazz Hour
Midnight – Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers
2:00 AM – Midnight Mausoleum

Friday March 9, 2011

8:00 AM – Cooking with Colby
10:00 AM – Community Nurse and Hospice's - House Calls
10:30 AM – ORCTV's Nonprofit Highlights
11:00 AM – Senior Stretch
11:30 AM – Jazzercise
Noon – Middy Movie
2:00 PM – Gardening
3:00 PM – Deutsche Welle - European Journal
3:30 PM – Global 3000
5:00 PM – Explore
5:30 PM – Earth Focus
6:30 PM – Navigating the Way for Seniors
7:00 PM – Free minds TV
8:00 PM – Community Nurse and Hospice's - House Calls
8:30 PM – Around BCC
11:00 PM – 30 Odd Minutes
11:30 PM – Paranormal Generation
Midnight – Friday Night at the Drive-In - Midnight Movies

Saturday March 10, 2011

7:00 AM – Classic Cartoon Festival
8:30 AM – Peek-a-boo Turtle
9:30 AM – NASA 360
10:30 PM – Go Fish – With Danny Kenney
11:00 AM – Kids a Cookin'
11:30 AM – U-Mass Dartmouth Winter Sports
4:00 PM – Neighbor to Neighbor with Don Cuddy
5:00 PM – The City of New Bedford's Arts & Culture Show
5:30 PM – Gardening
6:30 PM – Upper Cape Tech Careers
7:00 PM – Reeling – The Movie Review Show
7:30 PM – The Cooking

Hour
8:30 PM – The Jazz Room Live
9:00 PM – Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers
11:00 PM – Just Coolin' - Jazz Hour
Midnight – Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers
2:00 AM – The Dungeon of Dreck

MARION GOVERNMENT

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Daily Schedule

8:00 AM – Marion School Committee
11:00 AM – Latest Planning Board Meeting
1:00 PM – Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting
4:00 PM – Marion School Committee
6:00 PM – Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting
9:30 PM – Latest Planning Board Meeting

ROCHESTER GOVERNMENT

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Daily Schedule

8:00 AM – Rochester School Committee
11:00 AM – Latest Planning Board Meeting
1:30 PM – Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting
3:15 PM – Rochester School Committee
6:30 PM – Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting

8:30 PM – Latest Planning Board Meeting

EDUCATION CHANNEL

Comcast Channel 18

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Daily Schedule

8:30 AM – Mattapoisset School Committee - Education Matters
9:00 AM – RMS Play - Alice in Wonderland
10:00 AM – Tom Bliss Presents - NEC Prep Jazz Combos
Noon - ORRH TV Production I - Dramatic Pieces
12:30 PM - Upper Cape Tech Presents – Careers
1:00 PM - ORRH Boys Basketball
2:30 PM - RMS Play - Alice in Wonderland
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German Gems – **March 18** at 3:00 pm, Fireman Performing Arts Center, Tabor Academy, 235 Front Street, Marion, MA. Our 50th season celebration continues with original compositions for band by former Music Director George Dietzler framed by transcriptions from the German masters. Violinist Jesse Holstein, concertmaster of the New Bedford Symphony, will be the featured soloist. Tickets (\$10, Students \$5, Children 12 and Under Free) may be purchased at The Bookstall in Marion, The Symphony Music Shop in Dartmouth, at the door, or www.TriCountySymphonicBand.org.

New Exhibits at the MAC

The Marion Art Center, located at 80 Pleasant Street, Marion, MA 02738 is pleased to announce the opening of an exhibition of photographs by Neil Alexander entitled "Portraits" on Friday evening, **March 9**, from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. The exhibition will be in the Cecil Clark Davis Gallery and runs through April 24. Mr. Alexander's photographs are exciting and colorful portraits of children and adults depicted in their everyday life as well as on special occasions.

Neil Alexander is a commercial and fine art photographer as well as a documentary filmmaker for over 25 years. His architecture, portrait and food photography has appeared in museum exhibits, books and publications. His award-winning films have aired on public television and in festivals, most recently on the National Geographic Channel. In 2006, he was asked to contribute his film, "An Eye in the Storm" and photographs of Hurricane Katrina to the U.S. pavilion at the Architecture Biennale in Venice, Italy.

Since September 2005, Al Neil and his family have resided on the SouthCoast following the events of



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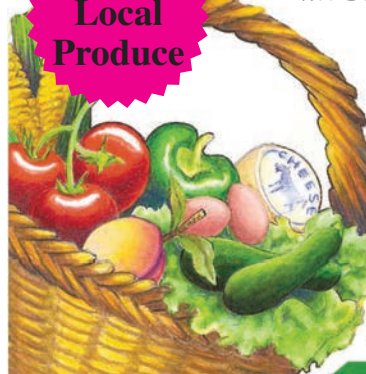
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TriTOWN HAPPENINGS



Above & Below: Crocuses in the village remind us that Spring is almost here. Photos by Paul Lopes

Top left: Marion residents braved the blustery conditions to spend a few minutes of their weekend walking with their best friends on Silvershell Beach. By Robert Chiarito.

Bottom Left: The Plumb Library in Rochester hosted Treasure Hunt Tuesday on February 21. Youngsters used clues to find items and learn about the library, the clues eventually lead to the Treasure Chest with a prize for each child inside. Photo by Beth Redman



These photos and more are available online at www.wanderer.com

Hurricane Katrina. They chose to stay in Massachusetts for the education opportunities presented to their son Calder who had just begun his freshman high school year when the storm hit New Orleans.

Neil shares studio space with his wife, Nancy, at 88 Hatch Street in New Bedford and is a founding member of Gallery 65 on historic William Street in downtown New Bedford.

He is currently working on his latest documentary film "Finding Thuy", the extraordinary story about the return of two diaries of a young Vietnamese doctor killed in 1970, that were returned to her mother and sisters in Ha Noi 35 years later by the American soldier who cared for them (www.findingthuy.com).

In 2010, Neil had his first Massachusetts solo exhibition of photographs at New Bedford Museum of Art: Landscapes of Louisiana and the Commonwealth 2005-2010. He continues to work with design professionals in architecture, interior, landscape and urban planning.

In conjunction with Youth Art Month, the art students at Sippican Elementary School, under the supervision of their art teacher, Erin Kirk, will exhibit works also entitled "Portraits". Mrs. Kirk has assembled a collection of portraits done by the children that includes several works from each grade level and represents various mediums, including sculptures, all of which will be on exhibit in the Patsy Francis Gallery from **March 9 until April 24**. There will be a special opening reception for the students and their parents on Friday, March 9 from 3:30 to 5:30 pm.

The main focus of the Art Program at Sippican Elementary School is the production, or making, of art. Most of the projects are introduced with an art history or appreciation lesson in which the students view and discuss the art of a selected period, culture, or artist.

The Sippican Art program emphasizes that learning to be an artist is much like learning a sport. With patience, persistence, practice, problem solving, and a positive approach, every student has the ability to create beautiful and meaningful art.

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Boating Skills and Seamanship Course

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Registration and classes will begin on **Thursday, March 1** at 7:00 pm. This course is directed to the first time boater and as a review for the more experienced boater.

For more information contact Warren Washburn after 6:00 pm at 508-789-3680.

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MARION

Log highlights February 19-February 25

- Upland Way – Burglar Alarm
- Point Rd – Medical Emergency
- Wareham Rd – B&E/past
- Silvershell Beach – Animal Complaint
- Delano Rd - Vandalism
- Main St – Medical Emergency
- Wareham Rd – Suspicious Motor
- Indian Neck Rd - EMS
- County Rd – Larceny/past
- Quelle Ln – Medical Emergency
- Job's Cove Rd – MV Stop/Arrest
- Point Rd – Disturbance/family
- Delano Rd – Noise Complaint
- Point Rd - Escort
- Point Rd – Order of Protection
- Main St – Vandalism/past
- Pleasant St – Suspicious Activity
- Delano Rd – Found Property
- Lady Slipper Ln – Follow Up Investigation
- Aucoot Ave – Medical Emergency
- Mill St - Fraud
- Holly Rd – Animal Complaint
- Converse Rd – Medical Emergency
- Island Wharf Rd – Suspicious Activity
- Mill St – MV Stop/Arrest
- Mill St – Medical Emergency
- Rocky Knook Ln – Medical Emergency
- County Rd – Suspicious Person
- Joanne Dr – Suspicious Activity

MATTAPOISETT

Log highlights February 14-February 20

- Reservation Rd - Vandalism
- Main St – Health/Welfare
- Neds Point Rd – Suspicious Person
- Silver Shell Ave – Ambulance Request
- North St – Fire/Brush
- Marion Rd – Burglar Alarm
- Meadowbrook Ln - Arrest
- Marion Rd – Drugs/Narcotics
- North St – Arrest/Warrant
- Acushnet Rd - Vandalism
- Shore Rd – Ambulance Request
- Barstow St - Vandalism
- County Rd – Property Returned
- Prince Snow Circle – Larceny/Forgery
- Park St – Ambulance Request
- Marion Rd – Burglar Alarm
- Marion Rd – Animal Control
- North St - Disturbance
- County Rd – Domestic Disturbance
- Mattapoissett Neck Rd – MV Crash
- Lebaron Way – 911 Call
- Long Plain Rd – Animal Control
- Meadowbrook Ln – Ambulance Request
- Neds Point Rd – Drugs/Narcotics
- County Rd – Suspicious MV
- Brandt Island Rd - Disturbance
- Church St – Health/Welfare
- Third St – Burglary Attempt
- Brandt Island Rd – Burglar Alarm

ROCHESTER

Log highlights February 14-February 20

- Rounseville Rd – Motor Vehicle Listing
- Marion Rd – Animal Control
- New Bedford Rd - Trespass
- North Av – Disabled MV
- County Rd – Animal Control
- Forster Rd – Burglar Alarm
- Dexter Ln – Officer Wanted
- Mattapoissett Rd – Ambulance Request
- Cushman Rd – Animal Control
- Walnut Plain Rd – Suspicious MV
- Pierce St – Burglar Alarm
- Hartley Rd – Officer Wanted
- Foss Farm Rd – Animal Control
- Dexter Ln – Motor Vehicle Listing
- Neck Rd – Property Found/Lost/Recovered
- Marion Rd – Suspicious Activity
- Snipatuit Rd – Animal Control
- Rounseville Rd - Vandalism
- Dexter Lane – Animal Control
- Bennett Rd – Larceny/Forgery/Fraud
- Dexter Ln – Burglar Alarm
- New Bedford Rd – Officer Wanted
- Mattapoissett Rd – Erratic Operation
- Rt 195 – Erratic Operation
- Mattapoissett Rd – Burglar Alarm
- Main St – Assist Citizen
- Alley Rd - Lockout
- Mattapoissett Rd – Suspicious MV
- North St - Vandalism

For a full PDF of the three town's police logs from the past week, including arrest reports, visit www.Wanderer.com.



REGIONAL LUNCH MENUS

COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday, **March 5:** Spaghetti & meatballs, Tuscan blend veg, whole wheat bread, pear cup.
 Tuesday, **March 6:** Kale soup, buttermilk chicken, Lyonnais potatoes, whole wheat roll, Cutie pie, diet: cookie
 Wednesday, **March 7:** Meatloaf/ gravy, whipped potatoes, rosemary carrots, sliced bread, peaches.
 Thursday, **March 8:** Beef stew w/ veg, boiled potatoes, fruit muffin, fresh fruit.
 Friday, **March 9:** Cold Plate: tuna salad, pasta salad, beet salad, pita bread, dried fruit mix.

MATTAPOISETT ELEMENTARY CENTER

Monday, **March 5:** Pancakes, light sausage links, blueberries w/ whipped topping, fruit, milk.
 Tuesday, **March 6:** Spaghetti & meatballs, warm garlic bread, fresh garden salad, fruit, milk.
 Wednesday, **March 7:** Cheese or pepperoni pizza, carrot & celery sticks, fruit, milk.

Thursday, **March 8:** Beef tacos w/ lettuce, tomato & salsa, 3 bean salad, pineapple tidbits, milk.
 Friday, **March 9:** Hot dog on a bun, potato chips, coleslaw, fruit, milk.

OLD HAMMONDTOWN

Monday, **March 5:** Pancakes, light sausage links, blueberries w/ whipped topping, fruit, milk.
 Tuesday, **March 6:** Spaghetti & meatballs, warm garlic bread, fresh garden salad, fruit, milk.
 Wednesday, **March 7:** Cheese or pepperoni pizza, carrot & celery sticks, fruit, milk.
 Thursday, **March 8:** Beef tacos w/ cheese, lettuce, tomato & salsa, 3 bean salad, pineapple tidbits, milk.
 Friday, **March 9:** Hot dog on a bun, potato chips, coleslaw, fruit, milk.

OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH

Monday, **March 5:** Pancakes, light sausage links, blueberries w/ whipped topping, fresh fruit, milk.
 Tuesday, **March 6:** Spaghetti & meatballs, warm garlic bread, fresh garden salad, fresh fruit, milk.

Wednesday, **March 7:** Open faced turkey sandwich (turkey, stuffing, gravy, cranberry sauce), steamed peas, fresh fruit, milk.

Thursday, **March 8:** Beef tacos w/ cheese, lettuce, tomato & salsa, 3 bean salad, pineapple tidbits, milk.
 Friday, **March 9:** Hot dog on a bun, potato chips, coleslaw, fresh fruit, milk.

ROCHESTER MEMORIAL

Monday, **March 5:** Pancakes, light sausage links, blueberries w/ whipped topping, fruit, milk.
 Tuesday, **March 6:** Spaghetti & meatballs, warm garlic bread, fresh garden salad, fruit, milk.
 Wednesday, **March 7:** Cheese or pepperoni pizza, carrot & celery sticks, fruit, milk.
 Thursday, **March 8:** Beef tacos w/ cheese, lettuce, tomato & salsa, 3 bean salad, pineapple tidbits, milk.
 Friday, **March 9:** Hot dog on a bun, potato chips, coleslaw, fruit, milk.

SIPPICAN SCHOOL, MARION

Monday, **March 5:** Pancakes, light sausage links, blueberries w/

whipped topping, fruit, milk.
 Tuesday, **March 6:** Spaghetti & meatballs, warm garlic bread, fresh garden salad, fruit, milk.
 Wednesday, **March 7:** Cheese or pepperoni pizza, carrot & celery sticks, fruit, milk.
 Thursday, **March 8:** Beef tacos w/ cheese, lettuce, tomato & salsa, 3 bean salad, pineapple tidbits, milk.
 Friday, **March 9:** Hot dog on a bun, potato chips, coleslaw, fruit, milk.

OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOCATIONAL HIGH

Monday, **March 5:** American chop suey, green beans, bread, apple sauce.
 Tuesday, **March 6:** Oriental chicken bowl (chicken, rice & broccoli), pineapples.
 Wednesday, **March 7:** Grilled cheese, minestrone soup, chips, side salad, peaches.
 Thursday, **March 8:** Turkey & gravy, stuffing, carrots, cranberry sauce, pears.
 Friday, **March 9:** Bagel pizza, salad, fruit.

Sippican Woman's Club Scholarships

Applications for the Sippican Woman's Club scholarships are available in the school guidance offices and have recently been placed on the website, sippicanwomansclub.org. This scholarship is available for Marion residents only. Recipients are chosen on basis of scholarship, service, activities and financial need. A letter explaining educational plans and goals, a transcript, and a letter of recommendation is required. Deadline is **March 30**.

South Coast Chamber Music Society

The South Coast Chamber Music Society will present "Calm, a program of classical chamber music. Flutist **Claude Cobert**, oboist **Donna Cobert**, violinist **Piotr Buczek**, cellist **Timothy Roberts**, and pianist **Janice Weber** will perform works of J.S. Bach, Franz Schubert, Alfred Schnittke, and Johannes Brahms.

The performance is scheduled at St. Gabriel's Church in Marion on **Saturday, March 3** at 5:00 pm, and at Grace Church in New Bedford, **Sunday, March 4** at 4:00 pm. Anthony J. Lewis, Ph.D. will host a talk about the music twenty minutes before each program. Admission is \$18. Students under 17 are admitted free of charge. Both concert venues are wheelchair accessible. For more information on SCCMS programs, advance ticket purchases and directions, please visit our website, www.southcoastchambermusic.org.

These concerts are sponsored in part by the New Bedford Cultural Council, a local agency that is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

Miss Representation

A local consortium of women's organizations have convened and galvanized forces to show the film "Miss Representation" for free on **Thursday, March 8**, as part of AHA! Night. The public is invited to attend the screening event, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at the Whaling Museum Theatre. A facilitated discussion will follow the movie, and a reception to honor International Women's Day will be held in the Jacobs Gallery.



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Mattapoisett Bulldogs Special Olympics

The Mattapoisett Bulldogs Special Olympics basketball team met with success on Saturday, February 4 at their preliminary tournament held at Bridgewater-Raynham High School. It was a day full of baskets, smiles, and high-fives! The team heads to Worcester for a full day of competition on **March 10**.

We need your support! A significant challenge for this team is financial. Uniforms and travel are costly. Any contribution is appreciated. Please make checks out to "Special Olympics" and put "Mattapoisett Bulldogs" in the memo section. Mail your check to "Special Olympics, 125 John Hancock Road, Taunton, MA 02780." Your donation is fully tax deductible.



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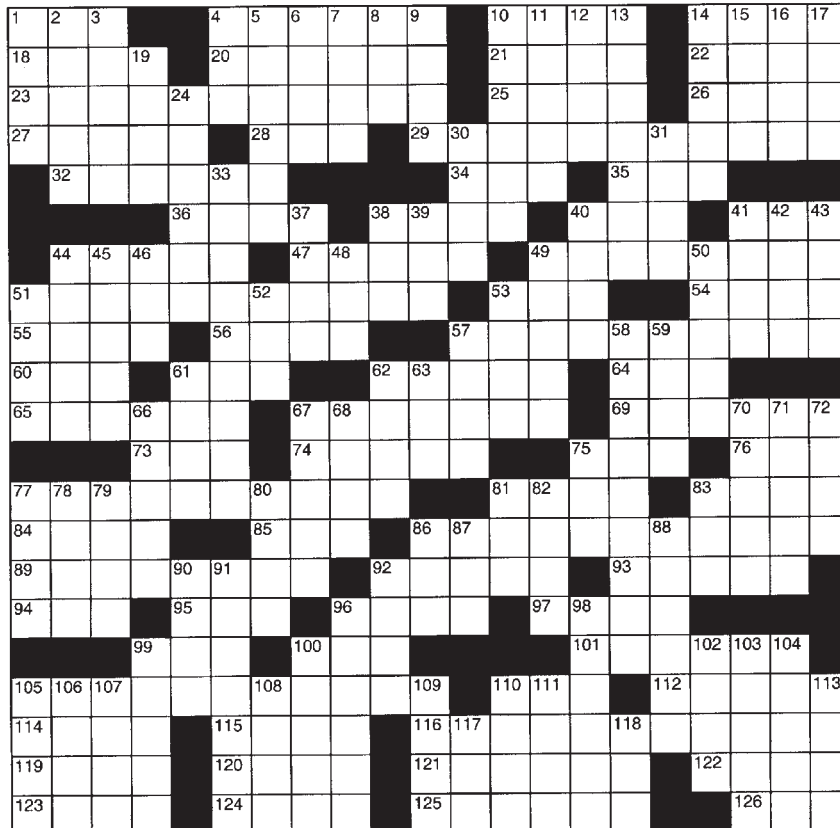
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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) The adventurous Aries won't be disappointed with taking on a new challenge, despite some initial misgivings. Look for this move to open other opportunities down the line.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Let that beautiful Bovine smile not only put you at ease, but also show that you're ready, willing and more than able to confound the naysayers around you. A new admirer has important news.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Be careful how you handle a relationship that you're hoping to save. You already have the facts on your side. Avoid weakening your position by embellishing it with unnecessary dramatics.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Taking definitive stands isn't easy for the often-wavering Moon Child. But you not only need to stay with your decision, but also reassure others it was the right thing to do.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) As a proud Lion, you're right to be upset about those who might be lying about you to others. But the best revenge is proving them wrong by succeeding at what you set out to do.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Caution is still advised before making a financial commitment to a "promising" project. Look for the facts behind the fluff. Devote the weekend to loved ones.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A Taurus offers comfort and advice as you deal with an upsetting event. Use this as a learning experience that will help you avoid similar problems in the future.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A romantic situation creates some chaos for single Scorpions. But it's well worth the effort to work things out. A trusted friend can offer some helpful advice.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Expect to make new friends as your social circle expands. Also, remember to tell that family member how proud you are of his or her achievements.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) New ventures continue to be favored. And with your self-confidence rising all the time, you'll want to see how well you can do with a new challenge. So, go to it.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) This is a good time for the usually "serious-minded" Aquarian to let loose and enjoy some fun times. Expect to get good news about a workplace issue.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Changed plans might upset some people, but your needs should be respected. Offer explanations when necessary. But don't let yourself be talked into changing your decisions.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a gift for bringing people together. You would make a fine judge or counselor.

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March is approaching and so is the FORM Annual Scholarship Concert! The Friends of Old Rochester Music are proud to announce that the Instrumental Concert will be held on Thursday, **March 8** and the Choral Concert on Wednesday, **March 14**. Both begin at 6:30 pm and will be held in the Old Rochester High School gymnasium.

Both concerts feature our fine choral and band students and directors from the Old Hammondtown, Sippican, Rochester Memorial Elementary schools, and the Old Rochester Regional Junior and Senior High schools.

One hundred percent of the proceeds go directly into the scholarship fund for graduating Old Rochester Seniors who have participated in the great music programs in the Old Rochester District.

All are welcome. Tickets are available at the door only and are good for both concerts.

Students and seniors are \$4, Adults are \$6, and a Family Admission is \$20. A 50/50 raffle will also take place.

International Women's Day

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YWCA Sweet Indulgence will take place on **Monday, March 5**. It will be located at the Polished Look, 865 Ashley Boulevard, New Bedford from 5:00 to 8:00 pm.

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<p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING #1017</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of David R. Langlais, 325 Snipatuit Road, Assessors plan 38 lot 12, who is seeking a special permit under section VIII.D.9.a., to allow conversion of a single family dwelling to a multi family dwelling. The public hearing will be on March 8, 2012, 7:30pm in the Town Hall, One Constitution Way.</p> <p>Richard D. Cutler, Chairman 02/23, 03/01</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>Pursuant to Chapter 71, Section 38N of the Massachusetts General Laws, you are notified that there will be a PUBLIC HEARING of the Old Rochester Regional School Committee regarding the school budget for the 2012-2013 school year at 6:00 p.m., on Monday, March 5, 2012, in the Cafeteria at the Old Rochester Regional High School, 135 Marion Road, Mattapoisett, Massachusetts. 02/23, 03/01</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION LEGAL NOTICE</p> <p>The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 14, 2012 at 7:30 PM in the Town House conference room on a Request for Determination of Applicability #41D 1473 submitted by ANNE C. BUSHNELL to upgrade the septic system at 681 Front Street, further identified as Lot 14 on Marion Assessors' Map 22. Plans are available at the Town House for review.</p> <p>Sherman E. Briggs, Jr., Chairman 03/01</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday March 12, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Hall on a Notice of Intent submitted by ANTHONY J. GOULART and KATHLEEN K. GOULART P.O. Box 1683 Mattapoisett, MA. The proposed project is to construct a single family home with municipal water and sewage. The project is located at Little Pine Way, and is further identified as Lots 37 and 40 Plan Lot 2 on Assessor Map 5. 03/01</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Mattapoisett Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on the following applications:</p> <p>Application of Quentin L. & Linda M. Kampf of 6 Hi-ona Hill Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 re property located at 6 Hi-ona Hill Road. The applicants are seeking a Special Permit under Section 5.1.5.4 of the Zoning By-Laws to construct a family related apartment. The property is further described as Plat 12, Lot 85 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, March 15, 2012 at 6:00 P.M. #1241</p>	<p>Application of Cedar Realty Trust c/o Greta Fox of 15 Highland Avenue, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 re property located at 7 Cedar Road. The applicants are seeking a Special Permit under Sections 3.1.2.2 and 3.1.2.3 of the Zoning By-laws for a partial demolition and reconstruction of a dwelling on a flood plain foundation which will not meet the required setbacks. The property is further described as Plat 2A, Lot 163 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, March 15, 2012 at 6:15 P.M. #1242</p> <p>Application of Long Built Homes, Inc., property owner Eloise Ricciardelli of 1 Perry Avenue, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 re property located at Crestfield Street. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under Sections 6.2.1 and 6.5 of the Zoning By-Laws to construct a single family dwelling on a lot that does not meet the current frontage. The property is further described as Plat 17, Lot 89 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, March 15, 2012 at 6:30 P.M. #1243</p> <p>Application of Kenneth S. & Jann C. Williams of 457 Cuesta Way, Los Angeles, CA 90077 re property located at 26 Ocean Drive. The applicants are seeking a Special Permit under Sections 3.1.2.2 and 3.1.2.3 of the Zoning By-Laws to demolish an existing dwelling and reconstruct a single family dwelling that will not meet the required setbacks. The property is further described as Plat 15B, Lot 24 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, March 15, 2012 at 6:45 P.M. #1244</p> <p>Application of William & Mary Beth Mansfield of 120 Walnut Avenue, Apt #A, Cranford, NJ 07016 re property located at 7 Channel Street. The applicants are seeking a Special Permit under Sections 3.1.2.2 and 3.1.2.3 of the Zoning By-Laws to elevate an existing single story dwelling that is nonconforming and also add a second story. The property is further described as Plat 5A, Lot 279 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, March 15, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. #1245</p> <p>Application of Diane L. D'Orlando of 31 Hearthstone Drive, Medfield, MA 02052 re property located at 52 Pico Beach Road. The applicants are seeking a Special Permit under Sections 3.1.2.2 and 3.1.2.3 of the Zoning By-Laws to demolish an existing dwelling and reconstruct a new single family dwelling that will not meet the required setbacks. The property is further described as Plat 6, Lot 19 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, March 15, 2012 at 7:15 P.M. #1246</p> <p>Complete applications and plans as filed are available for inspection in the Office of the Town Clerk during normal office hours.</p> <p>Sincerely, Jeffrey R. Chase, Chairperson Susan Akin, Norman Lyonnais, Mary Anne Brogan, Paul Milott 3/1 & 3/8</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, March 12, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. in the Mattapoisett Town Hall on a Notice of Intent submitted by the</p>	<p>Cedar Realty Trust.</p> <p>The Applicant proposes to renovate and elevate a portion of the existing single family dwelling onto a foundation in compliance with Mass. Building Code and FEMA requirements for construction in an AE Flood Zone. The project will also include demolishing the southerly portion of the building, approximately 18'x22' in size and replacing said area with a new 10'x14' extension which shall connect to a 28'x39' addition approved under DEP File No. SE 44-1141.</p> <p>All of the proposed work will be performed within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage, Flood Zone AE (El. 14) as delineated on the Mattapoisett F.I.R.M.</p> <p>The project is located at 7 Cedar Road at Point Connett and is further identified as Lot #163 on Mattapoisett Assessors Map #2A. 3/1</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, March 12, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. in the Mattapoisett Town Hall on a request for an Amended Order of Conditions for DEP File No. SE 44-1069 submitted by William F. Marinone.</p> <p>The Applicant requests approval of changes in the proposed site work which include a reduction in a vertical retaining wall, a reduction in the number of boardwalk support pilings, the installation of a temporary watertight holding tank in lieu of the re-installation of a complete sewage disposal system and a modification of the finished grading for the driveway.</p> <p>Work to be performed within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage and within the 100 ft. Buffer Zone of a Bordering Vegetated Wetland, Salt Marsh and Coastal Dune.</p> <p>The property is located at 29 Nashawena Road at Antassawamock and is further identified as lot #128 on Mattapoisett Assessors Map #15A. 3/1</p> <hr/> <p>off the mark by Mark Parisi</p>  <p>THE LEAN TOWER OF PISA</p>

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There will be a Cat and Dog Rabies Clinic on Sunday, **March 11** between 10:00 am and noon at the Mattapoisett Fire Station. You do not have to be a Mattapoisett resident. Proceeds go to a charitable organization. Animals must be properly restrained. Dogs must be leashed and cats must be in cat carriers. Licensing will be available for Mattapoisett residents. \$12 for intact males or unspayed females. \$9 for spayed or neutered. For more information, please call 508-758-4100 ext. 8.

From The Mattapoisett Town Clerk

• **Town census** – 2012 census forms were mailed out the beginning of January, if you did not receive a census form please call the office at 508-758-4103 ext. 2 and we will be happy to take your census information over the phone. If you are a voter and fail to respond to the census, your voting status could be affected. Please check all the information on the form, make any necessary corrections, sign and return to PO Box 89 or you may drop it off at the town hall as soon as possible.

• **Dog licensing** - 2012 dog licenses are available during regular office hours. The dog's rabies vaccination must be up to date and the certificate on file before a license will be issued. There is also a renewal form on the back of the census form for your convenience, please fill in the necessary information, enclose your check and a new 2012 license will be returned to you

• **Mooring inspections/boat excise tax** – if your mooring number is preceded by a letter (a-h), you should have received a letter and a mooring inspection form in the mail. The form must be on file in the town clerk's office before your 2012 payment will be accepted. Please be sure the form has been signed and dated before returning it. If per chance you did not receive this letter and form, please call the clerk's office and one will be sent to you or if able,

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• **2012 presidential primary/absentee ballots** – absentee ballots for the presidential primary on **March 6** are now available in the clerk's office. Office hours are 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday. You have until noon the day before the election to vote absentee if you will not be able to vote on Election Day. Please call the office with any questions or concerns.

• **Polling location** – due to the results of the 2010 federal census, Mattapoisett has gone back to a single precinct. The polling place has not changed, your voting status has not changed. The only change that you will see is just one check in the table when you enter. Please call the office if you have any questions.

Mattapoisett Lions Club

• **Scholarship** - The Mattapoisett Lions Club is a member of Lions International, consisting of 45,000 clubs and more than 1.3 million members making this the world's largest service club organization. The Lion's Club motto is "We Serve" and one of the largest charitable causes of Lion's International include raising funds for Eye Research in an effort to end preventable blindness through out the world.

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<p>TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 14, 2012 at 7:10 PM in the Town House conference room, 2 Spring Street, on a Notice of Intent submitted by ROBERT B. McNAMARA to raze and reconstruct the dwelling at 19 Shawondasse Road, shown as Lot 98 on Marion Assessors' Plan 19. Plans are available at the Town House for review. Sherman E. Briggs, Jr., Chairman 3/1</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MARION ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS LEGAL NOTICE</p> <p>Case #655- The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 22, 2012 in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House, on the application of Elizabeth W. Smith for a Special Permit under section(s) 2.3.3; 5.1k, and 6.1.3 of the zoning by-law to allow the construction of a 12'6" x 20'5.5" carport closer to Water Street than the required 35 foot setback which is required in a Residence C Zoning District.</p> <p>The property, located at 5 Water Street, is further identified on Assessors' Plan 16 as Lot 168. Zoning Board of Appeals Robert D. Wedge, Chairman 3/1, 3/8</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS LAUNCH SERVICE</p> <p>The Town of Mattapoisett is seeking proposals from experienced persons or companies that would be interested in submitting a proposal to provide Launch Service in the Mattapoisett waters. A complete set of the Proposal Specifications and Criteria is available at the Selectmen's Office 16 Main Street, Town Hall Mattapoisett. Proposals are due in by noon on March 12th, 2012. Questions please call the Town Administrator at 508-758-4100 ext. 4. Michael J. Gagne Town of Mattapoisett 3/1</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT BOARD OF SELECTMEN PUBLIC NOTICE</p> <p>A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, March 13, 2011 at 7:15 p.m. in the first floor Conference Room of Mattapoisett Town Hall, 16 Main Street, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 upon the application for a transfer of an all alcohol beverage liquor license from Irish Restaurant Company, Inc. d/b/a Kinsale Inn, 13 Water Street, Mattapoisett, MA to 13 Water Street Group, LLC d/b/a The Inn on Shipyard Park, 13 Water Street, Mattapoisett, MA. Manager of Record to be Andrea Perry. Anyone wishing to make comment may do so by attending this public meeting. BOARD OF SELECTMEN Paul A. Silva, Chairman Jordan C. Collyer, Vice Chairman Tyler Macallister, Clerk 3/1, 3/8</p> <hr/>	<p>TOWN OF MARION BOARD OF HEALTH LEGAL NOTICE</p> <p>The Marion Board of Health will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, March 13, 2012 at 4:45 p.m. in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House on the variance request submitted by N. Douglas Schneider & Associates, Inc. pertaining to the property located at 681 Front Street, further identified as Map 22, Lot 14.</p> <p>The following variances are requested to Title 5 of the State Environmental Code and the Marion Sanitary Code: 310 CMR 15.212: Depth to Groundwater; To install the bottom of the soil absorption system three (3) feet above the estimated maximum seasonal high groundwater rather than the minimum four (4) foot requirement. Marion Board of Health John B. Howard, M.D., Chairman 3/1, 3/8</p> <hr/> <p>TRIVIA TEST By Fifi Rodriguez</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. ANCIENT WORLD: Where was the first Roman aqueduct, the Aqua Appia, built? 2. MYTHOLOGY: What kind of creature was the Scylla? 3. THEATER: Thornton Wilder's play, "The Matchmaker," was later made into what famous musical? 4. LANGUAGE: The present, past and past participle of draw, drew and drawn are examples of what kind of verb? 5. MUSIC: Which musical artist had a single hit with "Rebel Rebel"? 6. HISTORY: Where was American outlaw Billy the Kid born? 7. MOVIES: What movie featured the fictional land of Florin? 8. GEOGRAPHY: Where are the Comoros Islands? 9. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What kind of animal was said to have raised the infants Romulus and Remus, twin founders of Rome? 10. RELIGION: How are members of The Religious Society of Friends more popularly known? 	<p>Will Cut Your Grass Free Estimates Carlos 508-287-3429</p> <hr/> <p>YEAR ROUND RENTALS Marion-1+BR, town house on 18 acres, many new improvements. Elect. incl. \$1250 Marion-2 BR, charming home, new appliances \$1000 WINTER RENTALS Marion-Bass Point 3BR, super views \$1100 Mattapoisett-1+BR, w/loft, water views \$800</p> <hr/> <p>MANY WATERFRONT SUMMER RENTALS AVAILABLE NOW! Race Real Estate 508-748-0479 or 508-536-1192 www.racereonline.com</p> <hr/> <p>YOUR HOUSEKEEPER Residential, Cottage, and Office Cleaning Bonded and Insured 508-207-6362 or 508-994-2711</p> <hr/> <p>off the mark by Mark Parisi</p>  <p>Answers</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Rome 2. A six-headed sea monster 3. "Hello, Dolly!" 4. Irregular 5. David Bowie 6. New York City 7. "The Princess Bride" 8. Off the east coast of Mozambique, Africa 9. A female wolf 10. Quakers <p>(c) 2012 King Features Synd., Inc.</p>

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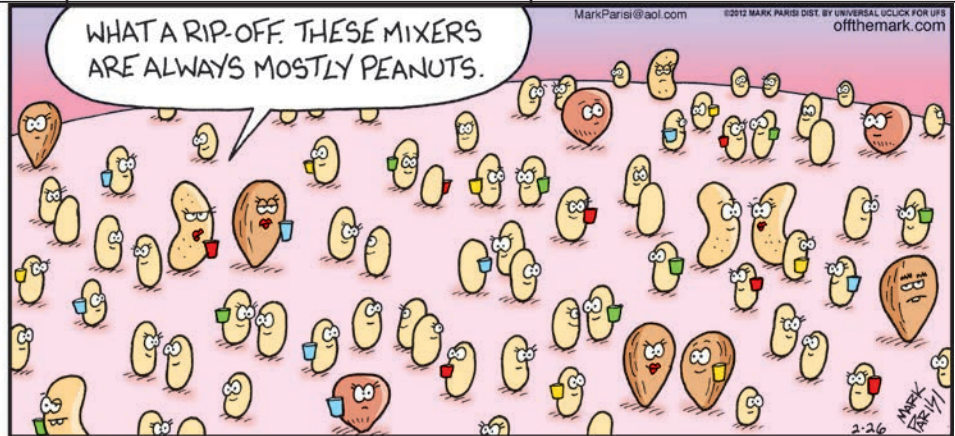
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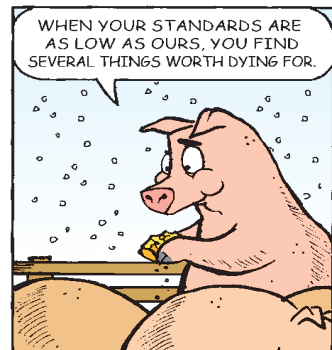
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New England Clam Boil

The Marion Fire Fighters Association would like to thank all who supported us in January and announce our next event. A New England Clamboil to be held on **Saturday, March 24** at Marion Fire Station One, 50 Spring Street Meeting Hall. Doors will open at 5:00 pm with a traditional winter seafood dinner served from 6:00 to 7:00 pm. We are featuring a cash Raw Bar, Raffle Prizes and Soda Bar. Tickets are \$25 each and are now on sale by association members, or call Brooks Wilson at 508-728-0840. When leaving a message state your name, call back number and number of tickets desired. We look forward to seeing you all in March.

Mattapoisett Woman's Club Scholarship

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To apply and obtain the scholarship applications, contact the guidance offices at the local high schools or preparatory schools. Both applications will be available. You must be a Mattapoisett resident, and those who are a member of, or have a family member, belonging to the Mattapoisett Woman's Club, will also be considered.

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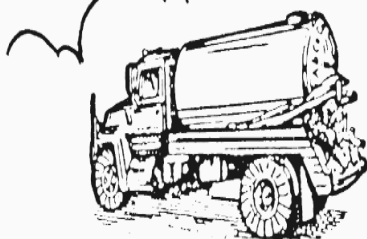
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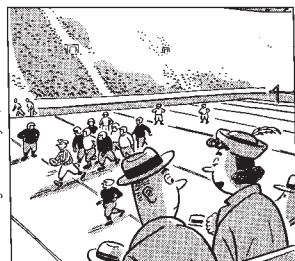
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The show's memorable characters include the flirtatious Mme. Dubonnet, her boy-crazy students and Polly (the role which turned Julie Andrews into an overnight sensation). With its catchy tunes, period dances (including the inevitable Charleston) and winning sense of humor, *The Boy Friend* is a sparkling, tongue-in-cheek 1920's romp.

This hysterical, fun-filled comedy has a cast and crew of 117 and is sure to please everyone! The cast includes Sr. Katie Holden - Polly, Jr. Max Houck - Tony, Jr. Marissa Despres - Hortense, Sr. Shannon Frink - Mme. Dubonnet, So. Samuel Resendes - Mr. Brown, Fr. Ian McClellan - Lord Brockhurst, Sr. Tess Roiter - Lady Brockhurst, Sr. Michael Stellato - Bobby Van Hussen, So. Nicole Enos - Maisie, Sr. Mikayla Florio - Nancy, Sr. Megan Pierce - Dulcie, Sr. Rachel Vincent - Fey, Sr. Sam Hill - Alphonse, Jr. Alex Milde - Pieire, Sr. Lucas Parker - Marcel. All are supported by an on-stage cast of 41 students, a back stage cast of 57 students and five students in the pit-band. The production is directed by Paul Sardinha with musical direction by Michael Barnicle and costumed by Helen Blake. Performance dates are **March 22, 23, 24** at 7:30 pm and **25** at 2:00 pm.

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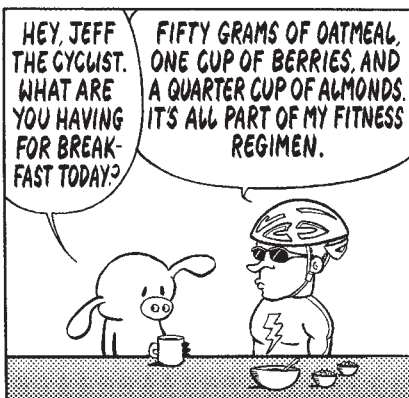
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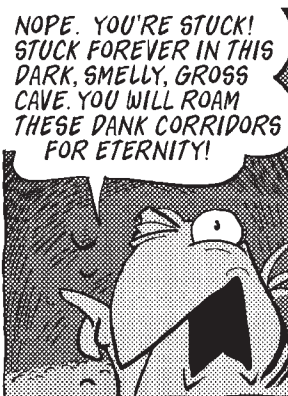
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Rochester Country Fair Fundraiser

The Rochester Country Fair is celebrating Saint Patrick's Day early this year with a Dinner Dance Fundraiser on Saturday, **March 3**. Guests are encouraged to don their green apparel for this fun-spirited event. Those who do wear green will receive a door prize appropriate with this year's Fair Theme, "Welcome to Pine Street"!

The fundraiser will take place at the Redmen Hall, located at 758 Main Street in Wareham. Stuffed Chicken Breast Dinner will be served at 7:00 pm and "The Relics" will begin performing at 8:00 pm.

Tickets cost \$18 each, while supplies last, and must be purchased in advance at either The Hair and Body Solution located in Rochester's Plumb Corner Mall or at The Ponderosa located on Rt. 105 Acushnet / Rochester Line. You may also reach any of the Fair Committee Members.

Donations of raffle items are needed and will help support this year's Rochester Country Fair, which will take place at its new Fair Grounds on Pine Street. Visit our website www.rochesterma.com or contact Julie at jkoczer1@verizon.net for additional event information or support.

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Fairhaven Bicentennial Banquet & Ball

The Fairhaven Bicentennial Banquet & Ball will be held on March 10 at the Seaport Inn, Middle Street, Fairhaven. Cocktails (cash bar) are at 6pm with dinner at 7pm with dancing to follow. Dinner is a choice of beef or chicken, dress is semi-formal or period dress. \$40 per ticket, a table of 8 is \$300, or a table of 10 is \$375. Tickets can be requested by calling 508-971-8719 or 508-997-2688, or by mail at: Donald Arsenault, P.O. Box 186, Fairhaven, MA 02719. Please make checks payable to Town of Fairhaven and in memo list Banquet.

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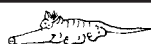
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Local Tides

Date	Day	High		Low	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
March 1:	Thurs.	1:06	1:45	7:19	7:12
March 2:	Fri.	2:03	2:47	8:56	8:27
March 3:	Sat.	3:08	3:50	9:58	9:33
March 4:	Sun.	4:14	4:48	10:44	10:30
March 5:	Mon.	5:11	5:39	11:25	11:21
March 6:	Tues.	6:01	6:26	...	12:04
March 7:	Wed.	6:48	7:12	12:11	12:42
March 8:	Thurs.	8:20	8:44	1:47	2:01
March 9:	Fri.	8:20	8:44	1:47	2:01
March 10:	Sat.	9:08	9:34	2:34	2:42
March 11:	Sun.	10:59	11:26	4:21	4:24
March 12:	Mon.	11:52	...	5:09	5:08
March 13:	Tues.	12:21	12:48	6:02	5:58
March 14:	Wed.	1:20	1:47	7:11	6:58
March 15:	Thurs.	2:21	2:49	9:09	8:25
March 16:	Fri.	3:27	3:55	10:29	10:27
March 17:	Sat.	4:35	5:01	11:24	11:33
March 18:	Sun.	5:38	6:01	...	12:06

Phases of the Moon

Full Moon March 8th
 Last Quarter March 15th
 New Moon March 22nd
 First Quarter March 30th



I Found the Aardvark!

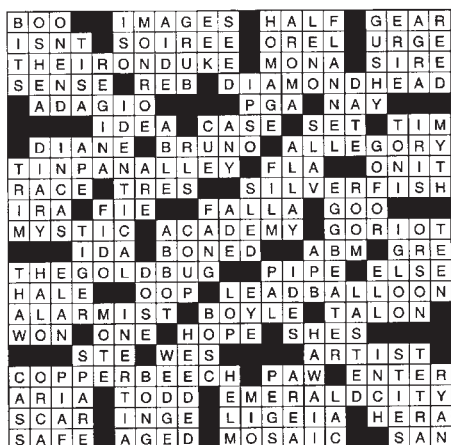
Each week, hidden somewhere in the pages of *The Wanderer* is a tiny drawing of an aardvark. The little guy you are looking for looks exactly like the one pictured above (but don't put down this page as your answer, there's another one hidden somewhere in this issue).

Once you find the aardvark you can submit your answer online and if you are right you will get Aardvark Points! You can then use these points to get cool Aardvark Prizes! Each time you find the Aardvark you will also be entered in our monthly drawing for other cool Aardvark Prizes. If you would like to enter the monthly drawing by mail, send your name, address and phone number along with the issue date and page number you found him in to: Wanderer - I Found the Aardvark, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. Entries by mail will not be eligible for Aardvark Points.

To enter visit: www.wanderer.com and Click on *I Found the Aardvark*
 In the February 23, 2012 issue the Aardvark was on page 18!

PUZZLE ANSWERS

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solution

1. Argue; 2. Govern;
 3. Polite; 4. Feign

Today's Word:

AFTERNOON

Sudoku Answer

7	5	3	2	1	9	4	6	8
4	2	9	8	5	6	1	7	3
6	8	1	4	3	7	9	5	2
2	9	4	7	8	3	5	1	6
1	7	5	6	2	4	8	3	9
3	6	8	5	9	1	2	4	7
5	4	2	3	7	8	6	9	1
9	3	6	1	4	2	7	8	5
8	1	7	9	6	5	3	2	4

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